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SUPREME COUNCIL 33°

Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada

Vision and Mission Statements

Vision Statement

Scottish Rite Freemasonry in Canada must be an organization that is well managed by highly motivated men with vision and leadership skills, which is attractive to interested Masons of good character, is well understood, is embraced by the family, and makes a positive impact on the quality of life through the reinforcement of high moral values.

Mission Statement

Scottish Rite is a fraternity of Master Masons whose Mission is to teach, to train and to encourage members to practice the important lessons of truth, of honour, and of virtue.
It promotes belief in a Supreme Being and brotherly love amongst all people regardless of race, colour, or creed.

It improves the individual character through the lessons taught in the degrees and through leadership training and relevant programs.

It seeks to make a positive impact on the welfare of mankind through its charitable foundation.

It is a financially sound organization which leads by example

Supreme Council Officers
2017 – 2018

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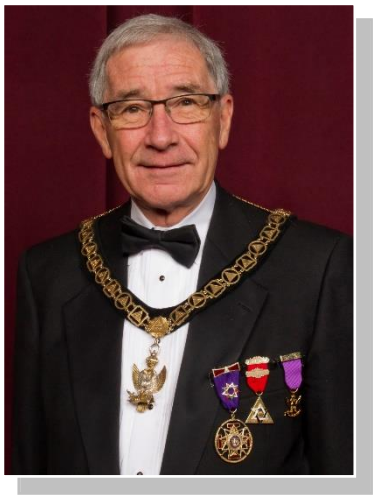
Sovereign Grand Commander



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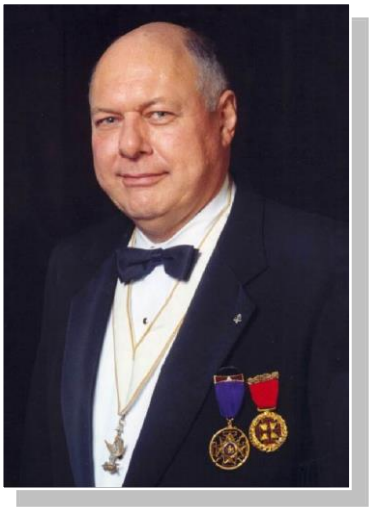
Lieutenant Grand Commander



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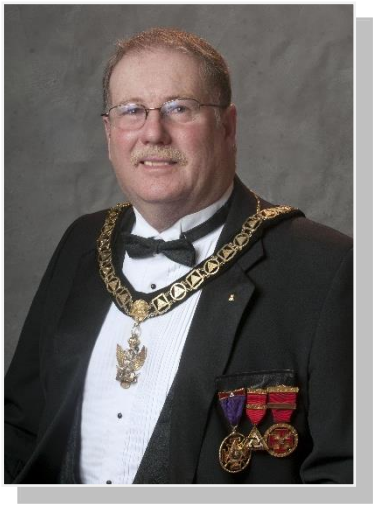
Grand Chancellor



ILL∴BRO∴ROBERT DAVID BRETHOUR, 33°

Grand Secretary-General

ILL∴BRO∴THOMAS EDWARD LEWIS, 33°

Grand Treasurer-General

New Officers and Active Members of Supreme Council

ILL∴BRO∴THOMAS A. WILLS, 33°
Grand Master of Ceremonies

Ill. Bro. Tom Wills was born in Hamilton on August 9, 1959 and lived in Smithville (with some short absences) until 2011 and now lives in Grimsby, Ontario. He worked in the family business beginning in 1979 with his father Peter and became president and Dealer Principle of Wills Motors in 1990. Tom sold the nearly century old family business in October 2017 and is looking forward to spending more time with Valerie and his family. Tom married Valerie Floyd in 1981 and they have three children; Thomas, Richard, Sarah and two grandchildren; Scarlett Wills and Peter Vernon Wills. All the children are actively working in the dealership. Tom received his education in Smithville elementary and high schools, Niagara College and General Motors Institute Michigan.

Ill. Bro. Wills was initiated into Masonry in Coronation Lodge No. 502, Smithville October 6, 1987. He served as Worshipful Master in 1993, 2014 and 2015. Tom is also a member of Union Lodge #7 Grimsby and Brock Daylight Lodge #745 St. Catharines. He became a Royal Arch Mason in Grimsby Chapter # 69 R.A.M. in 1989, which then amalgamated with McCallum Chapter #29 in Dunnville.

Ill. Bro. Wills became a member of Murton Lodge of Perfection – Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry - Valley of Hamilton in May 1989. He is a member of Hamilton Chapter of Rose Croix and Moore Sovereign Consistory. He served as Thrice Puissant Grand Master of Murton Lodge of Perfection 2008 to 2010. He enjoys participating in many different Scottish Rite degrees, and assists with the direction of the 14th, 20th, and 27th Degrees.

Ill. Bro. Wills was Coroneted an Honorary Inspector-General 33° in Halifax in 2006. He was Coroneted a Sovereign Grand Inspector-General in St. John's in 2016 and invested as Grand Master of Ceremonies in Montréal in 2017.

Ill. Bro. Wills was District Deputy Grand Master of Niagara A District 2016/2017.

ILL∴BRO∴ALLAN LEONARD LONG, 33°
Sovereign Grand Inspector-General

Allan Leonard Long was born in Kemano B.C. while his father was employed by Alcan during the construction of the underground powerhouse for the Kemano Dam. The family traveled throughout the Pacific NW and finally settled in Calgary in 1967. He completed a 2yr.program in Leisure Education at what was then called Mount Royal College before following in his fathers' footsteps in the Construction Industry receiving a Journeyman Ticket in Carpentry with an Interprovincial Seal from the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology. He worked on numerous jobs in Southern Alberta as a Construction Superintendent before becoming a Safety Codes Officer (Building Inspector) with the City of Calgary in 2007. He married Jennifer in 1982 and they have a daughter Brittany (31) and a granddaughter, Scarlet (3)

Bro. Allan's journey into the Masonic Fraternity started in 1970 when he was initiated into Calgary Chapter, Order of DeMolay. He became the Master Councillor in 1974 and the Alberta DeMolay Association Provincial Master Councillor in 1977. He holds the Honours of Cross of Honor, Chevalier and Legion of Honor. He served on the Supreme Council of Canadian DeMolay in the 1980's.

Following his older brothers' example he was Initiated, Passed and Raised in Canada Lodge 165 GRA AF&AM in 1978; later serving as Worshipful Master in 1985 and again in 2003. He served as Grand Pursuivant in the 100th Anniversary Year of Grand Lodge in 2005 and later as District Deputy Grand Master of Phoenix District in 2009. He has been serving as the Grand Prosecutor South since 2013. Gleichen Lodge 36 and Carstairs Lodge 20 have both elected him to Honorary Life Membership in there Lodges.

The Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite had always been a force in his masonic career and he joined the 3 bodies in the Calgary Valley in 2003 and 2004. He served as the Thrice Puissant Grand Master in 2008 and the Most Wise Sovereign in 2014. Since 2009 he has served the valley as Coordinator of Degrees. He was coroneted an Honorary Inspector-General in Halifax in 2014 and Sovereign Grand Inspector-General in Montréal in 2017.

Bro. Allan became the 1st new Mark Master Mason of the newly formed Mountainview Chapter 42 Royal Arch Masons of Alberta in 2012 and is serving as the First Principal in 2017 as well as the Grand Director of Ceremonies for Royal Arch Masons of Alberta. He is also a Shriner with Al Azhar Shriners in Calgary, serving as President of the Wild Rose Shrine Club in Airdrie. He also has had membership since 2009 in the Royal Order of Scotland Alberta Provincial Grand Lodge; currently serving as Senior Grand Guardian, and Chinook Chapter, Red Cross of Constantine since 2016.

►TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12◄

Tuesday, September 12, 2017 - 1:00pm

The Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation Of Canada

SRCF Minutes of the Directors Meeting

Terrasse Room, Marriott Chateau Champlain, Montréal, Québec

(To be approved at the April 2018 Meeting of the Directors)

Directors: T. A. McLean, R. S. Whitmore, J. G. Finch, R. L. M. Findlater, J. E. Ford, B. W. Gilkinson, G. L. Greasley, K. E. Springer, A. J. Stoddart, J. C. Sutherland, G. R. Taylor

Also Present: L. W. Kline, M. F. Todd

Regrets: R. D. Brethour, D. S. Skinner, S. E. Warren

The President, G. R. Taylor, welcomed all, noted those unable to be present and, after an invocation by G. L. Greasley, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

The notice calling the meeting was read by the Secretary J. E. Ford.

Invitation to Attend: Moved by B. W. Gilkinson, seconded by R. L. M. Findlater and carried, that M. F. Todd and L. W. Kline be present at the meeting and participate in discussions without voting privileges.

Approval of Agenda: Moved by A. J. Stoddart, seconded by J. G. Finch and carried, that the agenda be approved as distributed.

Variation of Agenda: Moved by R. S. Whitmore seconded by K. E. Springer and carried, that the agenda be altered at the discretion of the President.

Declaration of Conflicts: The President, G. R. Taylor, reminded the members to inform the meeting should a topic under discussion represent a conflict of interest for them.

Approval of Minutes: Moved by T. A. McLean, seconded by. C. Sutherland and carried, that the minutes of Directors Meeting held April 8, 2017 be approved as distributed.

Business Arising from the Minutes:
A draft agreement for the position of Executive Director, Learning Centres Program has been prepared and has been sent to the Executive Director for comment. Any other business arising to be covered under Committee Reports.

Treasurer's Report:
In the absence of D. S. Skinner, A. J. Stoddart presented the Treasurer's report, the Auditors Report and the Investment Committee Report.

The Treasurer's report noted the following:

Donations and bequests increased by $18,500 over the previous year.
Expenses declined by $24,000, again over the previous year.
Expenses included $28,191 for the second part of the Advanced Language training course for tutor trainers.
Research grants and bursaries totalled $439,636, an increase of $16,000.
Distributions to Learning Centres were $4,850 representing donations to the Foundation which were directed to individual Learning Centres.
Net revenue was $783,879, a slight improvement over the previous year.

Moved by A. J. Stoddart, seconded by J. G. Finch and carried, that the Treasurer's Report be accepted.

Auditor's Letter and Report:
A.J. Stoddart noted that the covering letter to the auditor's report stated that Grant Thornton had "received cooperation from management and employees of the Foundation" and that there were no issues needing to be brought to the attention of the directors of the Foundation.

The auditor's report still contains a "qualified opinion" clause related to the auditor's inability to verify the final disposition of bequests and donations received by the Foundation to be directed to individual Learning Centres.

Moved by A. J. Stoddart, seconded by J. G. Finch and carried, that the Auditor's Report be accepted.

Investment Committee Report:
Copies of the Investment Committee report were distributed to the directors prior to the meeting.

A. J. Stoddart reviewed the factors which affect the rate of return of the investment portfolio. The Investment Committee meets 3 to 4 times a year with the Foundation's financial advisor to discuss portfolio performance, asset mix, market conditions, expectations for the coming months and trading recommendations.

The portfolio is expected to provide a return of about 3% for the year.

Moved by A. J. Stoddart, seconded by J. G. Finch and carried, that the Investment Committee Report be accepted.

The President thanked D. S. Skinner for his efforts and contributions over the past year and to the Investment Committee for their diligence and care in managing the Foundations financial resources.

President's Report:
G. R. Taylor read his annual report to the Foundation members, a copy of which appears in the Foundation's Annual Report for 2016/2017.

Moved by T. A. McLean seconded by R. S. Whitmore and carried, that the President's Report be accepted.

Executive Director Learning Centre Program Report – M. F. Todd
Copies of the report on activities for the period September 2016 to June 30, 2017, were distributed to all directors prior to the meeting. Some the points in his report include:

- At the end of the year 157 children were being tutored by 114 tutors with 63 children graduating from the program. The number of tutoring hours increased by 300 hours to 7,303.
- In addition to the 4 certified tutor trainers, 2 individuals have completed the Advanced Language Course and will start the next stage towards certification. Two more individuals will start the training process.
- At the Executive Director's meeting with the Tutor Trainers in October more economical means of conducting the training, e.g. electronic sessions, will be discussed along with a review of the fees rates for tutor training, currently $100 per hour for training and $60 per hour or observations.
- Costs to operate 8 Learning Centres total $775,000. Raising this amount requires strong support from the Centre's Board of Directors, the valley and the community.
- The pilot project to have sessions with one tutor and 2 children has been a success, but to be successful requires a high level of comparability among the tutor, the children and the parents.

∃ The Barrie Learning Centre's 3 year satellite pilot project will be evaluated this October and criteria for the formation of satellite centres will be formulated.

Moved by T. A. McLean, seconded by R. L. M. Findlater that the Executive Director's report be accepted.

In response to questions, the Executive Director stated that:

Each Learning Centre is responsible for its own succession plan.
Satisfaction surveys are conducted with the parents each year.
There should be no liability to the Foundation if any of the tutors tutor children privately as their certificate states only that they completed the required courses and practicum.
Children on the wait list for the Hamilton Learning Centre have been evaluated by the Centre's tutor trainer.

There being no further questions, the vote was called and the motion to accept the report was carried

The President thanked M. F. Todd for his enthusiasm and continuing efforts in guiding the program.

By-Law Amendments — B. W. Gilkinson
B. W. Gilkinson noted that the intent of these amendments is to provide the Foundation with flexibility to meet either in person or by electronic or other means as the situation requires.

1. To amend, by ordinary resolution, Article 1.01 entitled "Definitions" to add a clause defining the word "present" as follows:
   j. "present" means either the physical presence of a person or member at a meeting of members and/or directors of the Foundation or the participation of a person or member in such meetings, where specified, by telephonic, electronic or other communication facility.
2. To amend, by special resolution, Article 2.02 entitled "Notice of Meeting of Members" to read- "Notice of the **time, place and manner (whether in-person or by telephonic, electronic or by other communication facility)** of a meeting of members shall be given to each member entitled to vote at the meeting by the following means:
3. To amend, by special resolution, Article 2.03 entitled "Absentee Voting Not Permitted" to read "**Where notice of an in-person meeting of members is given**, members must be physically present at a meeting of members to be eligible to vote. Voting shall be by show of hands unless a ballot is demanded by **50% plus one of the members present. Where notice of a meeting of members by telephonic, electronic or other communication facility is given, members participating in such a meeting are entitled to vote by roll call response.**"
4. To amend, by ordinary resolution Article 6.02 entitled "Notice of Meeting" To read- "**Notice of the time, place and manner (whether in-person or by telephonic, electronic or other communication facility)** for holding of a meeting of the board shall be given in the manner provided in Section 8.01"

Note: an ordinary resolution is requires a simple majority of 50% plus 1 of the votes cast on the resolution; a special resolution of the members requires a majority of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the votes cast on the resolution.

Moved by B. W. Gilkinson, seconded by J. C. Sutherland and carried, that the Notice of Motion to Amend By-Law No. 1 be accepted.

Committee Reports

Nomination Committee – B. W. Gilkinson
B. W. Gilkinson reported that J. E. Ford will have completed his second three year term terms as a Director of the Foundation and that with the tragic and untimely passing of J. Ashley and the regrettable resignation of K. D. McComb, 3 new directors are required. The names of D. Garry Dowling, Thomas A. Wills and Steve S. Caldwell will be proposed at the members meeting on September 13, 2017 as nominees to be directors of the Foundation for a term of 3 years.

Moved by B. W. Gilkinson, seconded by R. S. Whitmore and carried, that the report of the Nominating Committee be received.

Grants and Awards Committee – L. W. Kline
Copies of the report were distributed to all directors prior to the meeting. During comments on the report it was noted that:

- 4 new grants of $35,000 each have been awarded to researchers at Université Laval, Ottawa Hospital Research Institute, Brock University and the University of Calgary.
- Review process is on a par with that of major granting agencies such as the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR).
- The funds ($18,000) allocated to the Deputies Bursary Project have been distributed through 20 bursaries.
- Of the 12 current funded research projects, 5 are related to autism and 4 are related to Alzheimer's Disease.
- Grant reviewers are very conscientious in declaring conflicts of interest.

L. W. Kline expressed his thanks to S. E. Warren and the Foundation Office staff for their assistance in the processing of the various applications and related correspondence.

Moved by J. C. Sutherland, seconded by T. A. McLean and carried, that the report of the Grants and Awards Committee be accepted.

Valley Liaison Committee – R. L. M. Findlater
Copies of the report were distributed to all directors prior to the meeting.

Moved by R. L. M. Findlater, seconded by A. J. Stoddart and carried, that the report of the Valley Liaison Committee be accepted.

Office Operations and Insurance Report - Prepared by S. E. Warren
Copies of the report were distributed to all directors prior to the meeting.

Office: The Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation Office continues to manage Foundation correspondence, charitable donations and receipts as well as weekly and monthly accounting tasks. It manages the office functions associated with the annual Deputies Bursary programme as well as Major Grant applications and yearly reporting from grant recipients

Insurance: All insurance policies are in place and up to date. The Hamilton Learning Centre is now insured through the Foundation program.

Moved by T. A. McLean, seconded by B. W. Wilkinson and carried, that the Insurance and Foundation Office report be accepted.

Clarion (Editorial Board) – T. A. McLean for D. Bacon, Editor-in-Chief
Copies of the report were distributed to all directors prior to the meeting.

Moved by T. A. McLean, seconded by R. L. M. Findlater and carried, that the report on the Clarion be accepted.

Communications and Website Committee – G. R. Taylor
Copies of the report were distributed to all directors prior to the meeting.

Moved by B. W. Gilkinson, seconded by R. S. Whitmore and carried, that the report of the Communications and Website Committee be accepted.

Members Meeting: G. R. Taylor reminded those giving reports to give brief summaries and to arrange for motions to accept ahead of time. Honorary Inspectors-General are invited to attend the Annual Meeting as observers without voice or vote.

New and Other Business

M. F. Todd reported that cursive handwriting is becoming an integral part of the tutoring program. The Canadian rights for the text book being used are held by William Van Cleave who has offered a Canada wide licence allowing the Learning Centres Program to use the text book for a onetime fee of US$2,000.00 plus an additional US$200.00 onetime fee to each individual Learning Centre. There are sufficient funds in the Executive Director's budget to cover the Canada wide fee.

Moved by J. C. Sutherland, seconded by R. L. M. Findlater and carried, that the Executive Director be authorized to purchase the Canada wide licence for the Learning Centres Program.

G. R. Taylor reviewed the program and arrangements for the Foundation Banquet and pre-banquet reception. A. J. Stoddart and J. C. Sutherland volunteered to collect blue envelopes at the doors following the Foundation Banquet.

G. R. Taylor reminded the Directors of the meeting on Friday, September 15, 2017 to elect the President and Vice-President.

The president, G. R. Taylor, expressed his appreciation for the support he had received from the Directors, the Chief Operating Officer and the Office Administrator over the past year, in particular retiring directors.

Adjournment
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:33 p.m.

►WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13◄

Wednesday, September 13, 2017 ~ 8:00am
Meeting of the Provincial Deputies

At 8:00am the Provincial Deputies met in the Terrasse Room, Marriott Chateau Champlain, Montréal, Québec. Joining them at 9:00am were SGC, Ill. Bro. Terry A. McLean, 33°, LGC, Ill. Bro. Robert S. Whitmore, 33° and GSG, Ill. Bro. Robert D. Brethour, 33°.

Wednesday, September 13, 2017 ~ 1:00pm
The Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation Of Canada

SRCF Minutes of the Member's Annual Meeting
Viger ABC, Marriott Chateau Champlain, Montréal, Québec

Present: 34 members in attendance as per Roll Call recorded by the Secretary.

President, G. R. Taylor, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. The Grand Prior, M. D. H. Farr, then offered the invocation.

Notice of the meeting was read by the Secretary, J. E. Ford.

Approval of Agenda:
Moved by J. C. Sutherland, seconded by B. W. Gilkinson and carried that the agenda be accepted as presented.

Variation of Agenda:
Moved by W. A. Davis, seconded by T. A. McLean and carried that the agenda be varied at the discretion of the President.

Declaration of Conflicts:
The President G. R. Taylor reminded the members to inform the meeting should a topic under discussion represent a conflict of interest for them.

Reminders and Regrets:
The President G. R. Taylor reminded those presenting report and making comments to use the microphones. He also brought regrets from the Treasurer, D. S. Skinner, who was unable to be in attendance. Welcomed those Honorary Inspectors-General in attendance.

Approval of Minutes:
Moved by L. W. Kline, seconded by B. W. Gilkinson and carried that the minutes of the Annual Members Meeting held September 14, 2016 at St. John's NL be approved as distributed.

Treasurer's Report, Auditor's Report & Investment Committee Report:
A. J. Stoddart reported on behalf of D. S. Skinner. Copies of the above reports were distributed to the members prior to the meeting.

Treasurer's Report:
The report notes an increase in donations and bequests as well as in investment income. It also notes a decrease in expenses from the previous year.

Moved by J. C. Sutherland, seconded by A. B. Loopstra and carried that the Treasurer's report, as written and distributed, be accepted.

Auditors Report:
A. J. Stoddart read that portion of the auditor's report from the firm of Grant Thornton LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants relating to the qualified opinion. Otherwise the auditors had no concerns.

Moved by J. C. Sutherland seconded by M. D. H. Farr and carried that the auditor's report and financial statements be approved.

Investment Committee:
The Investment committee meets 3 to 4 times per year with the Foundation's financial advisor. The Treasurer, D. S. Skinner, discusses the foundation's investment portfolio with the financial advisor weekly.

The portfolio's asset allocation is being moved to a greater exposure to equities (target 60%) in order to produce the higher returns needed to meet the research grant and other funding commitments.

Moved by J. C. Sutherland, seconded by M. F. Todd and carried that the Investment Committee report be accepted.

The President, expressed thanks to H. E. Crosby for his sage advice and guidance to the newer members of the Investment Committee.

President's Report:
G. R. Taylor noted highlights from the President's report which is printed in the Foundation's Annual Report. Copies of the Annual Report were distributed to those in attendance.

Moved by T. A. McLean seconded by L. W. Kline and carried that the President's Report be accepted.

Executive Director, Learning Centres Report:
M. F. Todd advised the Members that his report had been submitted and approved by the Board of Directors. A summary of his report appears in the Foundation's Annual Report.
He noted that;

- It is the program's goal to have 1 tutor trainer for each Learning Centre.
- The Barrie satellite Learning Centre trial will be evaluated in 2017/2018. The evaluation will include the development of criteria for the establishment and operation of a satellite centre.
- The support of the members of the sponsoring valley is key to the success of each Learning Centre.
- The meeting of tutor trainers in October will discuss methods of conducting the advanced language training with a view to reducing the associated costs.
- The presence of a Learning Centre in a community raises the profile of the Scottish Rite in that community

Moved by M. F. Todd, seconded by J. G. Finch and carried that the Executive Director's Report be accepted.

Bylaw Amendments:
B. W. Gilkinson presented his report on amendments to Bylaw No. 1, which would allow the Directors and members to meet using electronic communications in addition to meeting in person.

Moved by B. W. Gilkinson, seconded by C. R. Piercey and carried that the report on the bylaws be accepted. Each amendment was then presented for approval.

Moved by B. W. Gilkinson, seconded by C. R. Piercey and carried to amend, by ordinary resolution (requires a simple majority), Article 1.01 entitled "Definitions" to add a clause defining the word "present" as follows:

j. "present" means either the physical presence of a person or member at a meeting of members and/or directors of the Foundation or the participation of a person or member in such meetings, where specified, by telephonic, electronic or other communication facility.

Moved by B. W. Gilkinson, seconded by C. R. Piercey and carried. to amend, by special resolution (requires a majority of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the votes cast), Article 2.02 entitled ~~"Notice of Meeting of Members" which at present reads, "Notice of the time and place of a meeting of members shall be given to each member entitled to vote at the meeting by the following means:~~

~~(a) By mail, courier or personal delivery to each member entitled to vote at the meeting, during a period of 21 to 60 days before the day on which the meeting is to be held; or~~

~~(b) By telephonic, electronic or other communication facility to each member entitled to vote at the meeting, during a period of 21 to 35 days before the day on which the meeting is to be held"~~

to read-

"Notice of the time, place and manner (whether in-person or by telephonic, electronic or by other communication facility) of a meeting of members shall be given to each member entitled to vote at the meeting by the following means:

(a) By mail, courier or personal delivery to each member entitled to vote at the meeting, during a period of 21 to 60 days before the day on which the meeting is to be held; or

(b) By telephonic, electronic or other communication facility to each member entitled to vote at the meeting, during a period of 21 to 35 days before the day on which the meeting is to be held."

Moved by B. W. Gilkinson, seconded by C. R. Piercey and carried, to amend, by special resolution, Article 2.03 entitled "Absentee Voting Not Permitted" which at present reads, ~~"Members must be physically present at a meeting of members to be eligible to vote. Voting shall be by show of hands unless a ballot is demanded by the members"~~

to read-

"**Where notice of an in-person meeting of members is given**, members must be physically present at a meeting of members to be eligible to vote. Voting shall be by show of hands unless a ballot is demanded by **50% plus one of the members present. Where notice of a meeting of members by telephonic, electronic or other communication facility is given, members participating in such a meeting are entitled to vote by roll call response**."

Moved by B. W. Gilkinson, seconded by C. R. Piercey and carried, to amend, by ordinary resolution Article 6.02 entitled "Notice of Meeting" which at present reads, ~~"Notice of the time and place for the holding of a meeting of the board shall be given in the manner provided in Section 8.01 of this by-law to every director of the Foundation not less than 7 days before the time when the meeting is to be held. Notice of a meeting shall not be necessary if all directors are present and none objects to the holding of the meeting, or if those absent have waived notice of or have otherwise signified their consent to the holding of such meeting. Notice of an adjourned meeting is not required if the time and place of the adjourned meeting is announced at the original meeting. No notice of meeting need specify the purpose or the business to be transacted at the meeting except that a notice of meeting of directors shall specify any matter referred to in subsection 138(2) (Limits on Authority) of the Act that is to be dealt with at the meeting."~~

To read-

Notice of the time, place and manner (whether in-person or by telephonic, electronic or other communication facility) for holding of a meeting of the board shall be given in the manner provided in Section 8.01 of this by-law to every director of the Foundation not less than 7 days before the time when the meeting is to be held. Notice of a meeting shall not be necessary if all directors are present and none objects to the holding of the meeting, or if those absent have waived notice of or have otherwise signified their consent to the holding of such meeting. Notice of an adjourned meeting is not required if the time and place of the adjourned meeting was announced at the original meeting. No notice of meeting need specify the purpose or the business to be transacted at the meeting except that a notice of meeting of directors shall specify any matter referred to in subsection 138(2) (Limits on Authority) of the Act that is to be dealt with at the meeting."

Committee Reports

Nominating and Directors Terms Committee:
B. W. Gilkinson informed the members that J. E. Ford had completed his terms as a Director of the Foundation and that with the tragic and untimely passing of J. Ashley and the regrettable resignation of K. D. McComb, 3 new directors were needed. He presented the following names for election to the Board of Directors for a term of 3 years:

D. Garry Dowling	London ON
Thomas A. Wills	Grimsby ON
Dr. Steven S. Caldwell	Edmonton AB

Moved by B. W. Gilkinson, seconded by G. L. Greasley and carried that the report of the Nomination Committee be approved.

The president, G. R. Taylor informed the members that D. S. Skinner had agreed to continue as the Foundation's treasurer.

Grants & Awards:
L. W. Kline stated that his report was on file with the Secretary and announced the new and continuing grants for this year. He expressed his appreciation for the assistance given by S. E. Warren, B. W. Gilkinson and the office staff.

Moved by L. W. Kline, seconded by M. D. H. Farr and carried that the Grants and Awards Committee Report be accepted.

Valley Liaison:
A copy of the report was distributed to the members prior to the meeting. R. L. M. Findlater noted that the committee plans to issue informational statements to the Valley Representatives which would feature activities of the Learning Centres and funded research. These statements are intended to be shared with valley members.

Moved by M. F. Todd, seconded by J. C. Sutherland that the Valley Liaison Report be accepted.

Foundation Office and the Insurance Committee:
S. E. Warren reviewed the Foundation's insurance policies currently in place.

Moved by R. D. Brethour seconded by J. E. Harrison that the report of the Foundation Office and the Insurance Committee be accepted.

Clarion:
T. A. McLean reported that the 2018 edition of the Clarion would feature an expanded variety of content, e.g. descriptions of individual research projects funded by the Foundation, the Learning

Centre Program, local Scottish Rite Week activities.

Moved by T. A. McLean, seconded by A. B. Loopstra and carried that the report on the Clarion be accepted.

Communications and Website Committee:
A copy of the report was distributed to the members prior to the meeting.

Moved by T. A. McLean, seconded by T. E. Lewis and carried that the Communications Committee Report be accepted.

New and Other Business

Approval of the Actions of the Directors:
Moved by R. D. Brethour, seconded by M. F. Todd and carried that all actions of the Board of Directors during the last term of Office be approved.

Appointment of Auditors:
Moved by S. Godfrey seconded by M. D. H. Farr and carried that the firm of Grant Thornton LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants, be retained as auditors for the fiscal year 2017/2018.

Foundation Annual Report:
Moved by A. B. Loopstra, seconded by R. S. Whitmore and carried that the Annual Report of the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation be transmitted to Supreme Council.

Cursive Writing Textbook
G. R. Taylor informed the members that cursive handwriting is being introduced into the tutoring program. The owner of the Canadian rights for the textbook to be used has offered the Learning Centres Program a Canada-wide licence to use the textbook for a one-time fee of US$2,000.00. Each individual Learning Centre would also be required to purchase a licence for a one-time fee of US$200.00. The Directors have approved the purchase of the Canada-wide licence.

Reminders
Banquet arrangements were outlined.

A brief Directors meeting to be held immediately following the close of the sessions on Friday morning, September 15, 2017 to elect and appoint the officers for 2017/2018.

The meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.

Executive Session 1
Wednesday, September 13, 2017 ~ 2:00pm
Viger ABC, Marriott Chateau Champlain, Montréal, Québec

At 2:00pm the first Executive Session of the 143rd Annual Session was held in Viger ABC, Marriott Chateau Champlain, Montréal, Québec with Ill. Bro. Terry A. McLean, 33° Sovereign Grand Commander presiding. The Sovereign Grand Commander welcomed everyone to the 143rd Annual Session of Supreme Council in Montréal, Québec.

By virtue of the powers conferred under Article 5 (c) of the Statutes of the Supreme Council of the Thirty-third Degree, the days commencing on Wednesday, September 13 continuing through Thursday, September 14 are hereby designated as Executive Sessions to be a part of the above Annual Sessions and, accordingly, we summon the Active and Past Active Members of our Council to attend there at.

Although the Statutes and Regulations do not allow Honorary Inspectors-General to attend the Executive Sessions, the Sovereign Grand Commander, by special dispensation, invites you to attend, as observers, those Executive Sessions taking place on Wednesday, September 13 and Thursday, September 14. Please come and see your Supreme Council as it conducts its business. I hereby declare the 143rd Annual Session of this Supreme Council duly constituted and open.

SGC: And now I will call on Ill. Bro. Michael Farr our Grand Prior for our prayers

Grand Prior: Our God, we hold up before you the Members of Supreme Council at this time. We pray that all that we do and say and decide will be to Your glory. This we ask in the name of our most high God. Amen.

Audience: So mote it be.

SGC: Well, good afternoon, brethren. I extend my personal welcome to each of the Active and Past Active Members this afternoon for the time and effort that you have put in to attending this very important meeting, and for the preparation of your various reports.

It's an exciting time for us to meet for a number of reasons. It's an exciting city, Montréal, celebrating its 375th anniversary. This city interests many people throughout Canada and, indeed, the world.

It's exciting that we have come together in our brotherhood and fraternity to do the work of this 143rd Supreme Council Session for all the Members of the Scottish Rite Freemasonry.

And it's exciting that we have 47 candidates seeking the 33rd Degree. Now we have some exciting topics to review, discuss and act upon.

At this time I will call for on Ill. Bro. Robert Whitmore for some procedural motions.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Rob Whitmore, 33° and Bob Brethour, 33° that the Chief Operating Officer, Executive Secretary Ill. Bro. Steve Warren, 33° be permitted to attend the Executive Sessions.

SGC: Brethren, you have the motion proposed and seconded. Are there any questions or discussion?

Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Can somebody allow Steven to come in? Well, it was a close vote, but you're in, Steve.

Ill. Bro. Warren: Good.

SGC: And again, we thank you for the service you're providing Supreme Council, yourself and Ms. Leslie Drake in the office.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Rob Whitmore, 33° and Bob Brethour, 33° that the Honorary Inspectors-General are invited to attend the Executive Sessions on the invitation of the Sovereign Grand Commander, without voice or vote.

SGC: Brethren, you have heard the motion proposed and seconded. Are there any questions or discussions?

Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Rob Whitmore, 33° and Bob Brethour, 33° that the Minutes of the Annual Session held in St. John's September 12 to 17, 2017 are hereby adopted as circulated in the proceedings.

SCG: Brethren, you have heard the motion proposed and seconded. Are there any questions or discussions?

Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

I'll call for a motion now to alter the order of the Agenda from PSGC Harold Cosby.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Harold Crosby, 33° and Matt Todd, 33° that the Sovereign Grand Commander be authorized to alter the order of the matters on the Agenda.

SGC: Thank you. You've heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions?

Hearing none, all in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Brethren, I always get the question, what do the different colours on the name tags mean. Well, the purple is for Active Members, the red is for Past Active Members, the green is for our guests, turquoise is for our candidates, and the yellow is for the Honorary Inspectors General, and the white is for our host committee.

So be sure to welcome everybody, but pay particular attention to our guests and our candidates. Just for your information, the registration for Montréal Session, we have 205 Members and 148 Companions. We have 47 candidates and 36 spouses, and 40 guests and special visitors, for a total of 476, which is a very good gathering.

Again, like we did with the previous meeting, when you are presenting your reports I would ask that you walk to the nearest mic, state your name and speak audibly for recording purposes. Be as brief as you can, and I know some reports that weren't handed out have to be given in full, and move and second your report. It's much appreciated.

As everybody knows by now, Ill. Bro. Ken McComb, was our Grand Master of Ceremonies in the Valley of Calgary, and for personal reasons he found it necessary to resign from Masonry in 2017. We will miss Ken's attendance at these Sessions, his contribution to Supreme Council and his friendship. We wish him and his wife Cindy the very best for the future.

At this time I will call on IPSGC Ill. Bro. Richard Brown for his report on the Nomination Committee.

IPSGC Brown: Sovereign Grand Commander, peers and brethren, I have several reports to do. The first one is the report on nominations for Honorary Inspectors-General, and I would like to tell you that the number of nominations received was 49, which was identical to the number received last year.

You will notice that the Sovereign Grand Commander mentioned 47 candidates. My understanding was that one of our nominees last year passed away and one of them declined the opportunity, so that's why there's a difference in numbers. But it was 49 again, and I will give you the names in a moment. There were 8 from Alberta, 5 from British Columbia, 2 from Manitoba, 1 from New Brunswick, 1 from Newfoundland, 1 from Nova Scotia, 25 from Ontario, 2 from Québec and 4 from Saskatchewan, for a total of 49.

As required by our Statutes and Regulations, I will name those individuals today and then we will vote on them tomorrow. Each of the nominees meet the requirements of Article 10 of the Constitution, and each of the nominations were completed in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution.

Province	Name (49)	Valley
AB	**Kennard**, Steven Mark	Calgary
AB	**Clark**, Thomas Richard	Central Alberta
AB	**Vickers**, Ron	Central Alberta
AB	**Cox**, Wade Thomas	Edmonton
AB	**Motiuk**, Russel Henry	Edmonton
AB	**Irwin**, Brant Calvin	Lethbridge
AB	**Stobbs**, Clayton Cyril	Lethbridge
AB	**McFadyen**, Albert Ewan	Medicine Hat
BC	**Hammell**, Michael Frederick George	Campbell River
BC	**Pemberton**, Richard John	Kamloops
BC	**Tennessy**, Michael Douglas	Prince Rupert
BC	**Akehurst**, Alan Winston	Vernon
MB	**Lerner**, David	Winnipeg
MB	**McClintock**, John	Winnipeg
NB	**Bell**, Hugh Lawson	Moncton
NL	**Mercer**, Robert John	St. John's
NS	**Gammell**, Frank Andrew	Halifax
ON	**Tarr**, William Peter	Chatham
ON	**Gordon**, Mark James	London
ON	**Jones**, Richard Edward	London
ON	**Adam**, Michael John	Sarnia
ON	**Graham**, William Coyle	Sarnia
ON	**Haramic**, Zeljko Josip	Windsor
ON	**Kania**, Chandrakant Jamnadas	Windsor
ON	**Maitland**, Gordon Raymond	Windsor
ON	**Parker**, Thomas Ralph	Woodstock
ON	**Barendregt**, Steven John	Barrie
ON	**Forster**, John Matthew	Ottawa
ON	**Noseworthy**, Jeffrey Allan	Ottawa
ON	**Hughes**, William Arthur	Peterborough
ON	**McQuaide**, John David Douglas	Peterborough
ON	**Parks**, Burton William	North Bay
ON	**Beggs**, Loyal David	Sault Ste. Marie
ON	**Kitching**, Roger Allan	Sudbury

Province	Name (49)	Valley
ON	**Thomson**, John Ronald	Guelph
ON	**Burns**, Edward Lionel	Hamilton
ON	**McQuade**, Stephen Joseph	Hamilton
ON	**Lau**, Keith Yeardley	Niagara
ON	**Lockey**, Kevin	Niagara
ON	**Niddery**, Robert Buchanan	Toronto
ON	**Surovy**, Dushan	Toronto
QC	**Ruelland**, Jacques Guy Henri	Montréal
QC	**Chiniara**, Gilles	Québec
SK	**Boyachek**, Victor Michael	Regina
SK	**Henry**, William John	Regina
SK	**Angel**, Joseph Francis	Saskatoon
SK	**McGregor,** Norman James	Saskatoon

So those are the 49 nominations that we would vote on tomorrow.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Richard Brown, 33° and Matt Todd, 33° that the report on Advancement to Honorary Inspectors-General in London in 2018 be received and the vote cast at the Executive Session on Thursday morning.

SGC: Are there any further nominations? Are there any further nominations? Are there any further nominations?

Hearing none, I call for the vote of reception of the report: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

As Richard said, the vote will take place on Thursday in Executive Session.

Grand Secretary General, do you have any Members of this Supreme Council requesting a demit?

GSG: I do, Sovereign Grand Commander.

Kenneth Dean McComb, from the Valley of Calgary and Keith Ian Davidson, from the Valley of Winnipeg.

SGC: Thank you. Now I will call on Richard for his report on Active Members.

IPSGC Brown: Sovereign Grand Commander, as a consequence of the resignation of Ill. Bro. Ken McComb, there is a vacancy for one Active Member and the Nominating Committee is proposing Allan Leonard Long, of the Valley of Calgary.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Richard Brown, 33° and Matt Todd, 33° that the Report for Advancement to Sovereign Grand Inspector-General be received and the vote cast at the Executive Session on Thursday morning.

SGC: Are there any further nominations? Are there any further nominations? Are there any further nominations?

Hearing none, I will call for the vote for the reception of that report: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Now I will call on the report of Officer Nominations.

IPSGC Brown: Sovereign Grand Commander, peers and brethren, again as a result of the resignation of Ill. Bro. Ken McComb, who held the office of Grand Master of Ceremonies, a Grand Master of Ceremonies is required to finish the remainder of the triennium of our Sovereign Grand Commander and the Nominating Committee is proposing that office be filled by Ill. Bro. Tom Wills, for the remainder of this current triennial.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Harold Crosby, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° that the report on Officer Nominations be received.

SGC: Thank you. Are there any further nominations? Are there any further nominations? Are there any further nominations?

If not, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

And since that report was voted on unanimously in favour, then I will declare Ill. Bro. Thomas Wills, Grand Master of Ceremonies elect.

SGC: Thank you, Richard. Thank you for the work you do.

IPSGC Brown: Thank you, Sovereign Grand Commander.

SGC: Now I will call on Alan Arbuckle for his report of Special Committee on Special Awards.

The Report from the Committee on Special Awards was presented by Chairman, Ill. Bro. Alan Arbuckle, 33°

Report of the Special Committee On
SPECIAL AWARDS

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers and Brethren:

This year the Committee drafted a new pamphlet explaining the award and the process we follow in selecting recipients, which was distributed and posted on the website, along with the nomination form. The form itself was improved to make it easier to use.

We attracted seven applications by our deadline of March 31, 2017, including two that carried over from last year. All were given careful consideration and all were worthy candidates for this honour. Ultimately, we had to pick the two that best met the criteria.

Thomas Richard Clark, 32°, of the Valley of Central Alberta, operated an oilfield supply company from Rocky Mountain House. He has served as a volunteer firefighter, chair of the Nordegg Historical Society, a member of the provincial Health and Wellness Review Panel, a director of the Rocky Mountain House Credit Union, a community advisor to the RCMP and president of the Rocky Mountain House Museum. He was a Councilor and Reeve for the Municipal District of Clearwater and served as a leader for both Boy Scouts and 4-H. He is currently acting as TPGM for the second time and is past president of the Red Deer Shrine Club.

Chandrakant Kania, 32°, spent his career in education, including a two-year term with the Canadian International Development Agency in Trinidad and Tobago teacher training program. He served as Secretary for the Supreme Council Sessions in the Valley of Windsor, volunteers in the Windsor Learning Centre, directs degrees and has served both as MWS and TPGM. He has worked on committees for the Grand Lodges of Saskatchewan and Canada in the Province of Ontario as well as writing guidelines for degree directors and AASR offices. He is a member of the York Rite, the Cryptic Rite and the Shrine. He is a past president of the India Canada

Association in Windsor, served in the South Asian Seniors organization and through the Canadian World Education Foundation helped supply books, desks, computers and uniforms to a school in Kenya.

The committee members wish to acknowledge the support we receive from the Supreme Council office.

Respectfully submitted,
Alan Arbuckle, 33°, Chairman
Allan Hadley, 33°
David Hooper, 33°
Michael Farr, 33°

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Alan Arbuckle, 33° and David Hooper, 33° that the report from the Committee on Special Awards be accepted.

SGC: Thank you, Alan. And of course, the acceptance of this report will approve the nominations of Thomas Richard Clark, of the Valley of Central Alberta, and Chandrakant Kania from the Valley of Windsor, as recipients of the John Ross Matheson Award for 2017.

Any questions or discussions? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

I will present their awards in their local Valleys as we have done for the past couple of years.

Thank you, Alan, and your Committee, for the work you do on this Committee.

At this time I'm going to call on our Grand Treasurer-General, Tom Lewis, to make a few comments around the budget, especially in the areas of looking at our costs, and he will just give you a few comments. Of course, we will vote on that budget on Saturday morning.

DRAFT BUDGET 2018
AS PREVIOUSLY DISTRIBUTED IN THE 2017 PRELIMINARY REPORT
SUPREME COUNCIL 33º OF THE ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY OF CANADA

DRAFT BUDGET FOR FISCAL 2018 WITH COMPARISON TO 2017 BUDGET AND ACTUALS

	BUDGET 2018	ACTUAL 2017	BUDGET 2017
REVENUE			
DUES [$ 5.00-2018 / $ 4.50-2017] **[SEE NOTE]**	**180,000**	176,711	171,500
FEES	**8,000**	9,850	7,500
CANDIDATES' CAPITAL FUND [48 X $ 200] **[SEE NOTE]**	**9,600**	7,000	7,000
	197,600	193,561	186,000
EXPENSES			
ADMINISTRATION			
SALARIES - COO	**57,720**	56,781	57,720
SALARIES - OFFICE ADMIN	**35,880**	34,727	35,100
TEMPORARY OFFICE STAFF	**3,500**	10,414	3,500
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	**9,500**	6,849	9,100
	106,600	108,771	105,420
RENT	**22,000**	19,974	21,300
POSTAGE	**5,500**	3,375	5,500
TELEPHONE & INTERNET	**3,200**	2,331	3,200
OFFICE MAINTENANCE	**1,500**	863	1,500
EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	**2,500**	158	2,500
SUPPLIES	**4,000**	2,388	4,000
OFFICE EQUIPMENT - LEASES	**5,500**	5,298	5,500
PROFESSIONAL FEES **[SEE NOTE]**	**7,500**	16,136	16,150
INSURANCE SUPREME COUNCIL	**7,500**	7,285	7,500
PRINTING	**3,500**	2,520	3,000
COMPUTER	**8,000**	5,462	8,000
DIGITIZATION OF PROCEEDINGS	**3,500**	0	
SUNDRY	**-5,000**	-4,231	-8,000
	175,800	170,330	175,570
ACTIVITIES			
DONATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS			
DEMOLAY	**1,500**	1,500	1,500
MATHESON AWARD	**4,500**	5,282	5,000
PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE			
- PROCEEDINGS (COST)	**1,750**	2,390	2,500
- PROCEEDINGS (SALE)	**-50**	-40	-50

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- STATUTES AND REGULATIONS	**-500**	-622	-500
- RITUALS, MANUALS & LECTURES	**-2,000**	-2,250	-2,500
PUBLIC RELATIONS	**1,000**	1,833	1,000
PUBLICATION OF THE "CLARION"	**9,500**	9,259	11,000
	15,700	17,352	17,950
OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES			
SOVEREIGN GRAND COMMANDER	**15,000**	16,487	12,000
LIEUTENANT GRAND COMMANDER	**2,500**	0	3,500
DEPUTIES	**15,000**	11,264	12,000
ADVISORY COUNCIL **[SEE NOTE]**	**250**	5,808	6,500
OTHER			
GRAND SECRETARY- GENERAL	**1,500**	2,648	3,500
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY	**1,000**	671	1,000
LIBRARY - OPERATIONS [SEE NOTE]	**5,500**	1,600	2,200
OTHER COMMITTEES	**500**	368	500
OTHER / MILEAGE	**10,000**	10,552	10,000
OTHER - SUPREME COUNCILS / CONFERENCES **[SEE NOTE 10]**	**9,500**	5,482	7,000
	60,750	54,880	58,200
ANNUAL SESSIONS			
SUPREME COUNCIL SESSION			
MONTRÉAL 2017 / ST. JOHN'S 2016	**0**	39,090	0
TRAVEL ALLOWANCE **[SEE NOTE]**	**12,500**	25,951	25,000
TO BE REVISED IN FINAL BUDGET			
	12,500	65,041	25,000
TOTAL	**264,750**	307,603	276,720
NET OPERATING EXCESS OF EXPENSES OVER REVENUE	**67,150**	114,042	90,720
INVESTMENT INCOME			
INVESTMENT INCOME PLUS REALIZED NET CAPITAL GAINS **[SEE NOTE]**	**72,000**	52,455	80,000
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES BEFORE UNREALIZED GAIN [LOSS] ON INVESTMENTS	**4,850**	-61,587	10,720
UNREALIZED GAIN [LOSS] ON INVESTMENTS	**TBD AT YEAR END**	36,613	
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	**TBD AT YEAR END**	**- 24,974**	

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The Draft Budget for Fiscal 2018 gives effect to the following:

Revenue and expenses are estimated based on the prior year and adjusted for known increases or decreases and allowing for inflationary increases.

Budgetary requests by individuals have been included where applicable and amounts known.

The Administration Expenses are the actual expenses incurred by Supreme Council and where applicable are net of costs recovered from shared expenses with the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation.

Dues are based on an estimated Annual Membership decline of approximately 4% at a per-capita assessment of $5.00 [$4.50-2017]

Notes and Comments

As indicated in the report of the Grand Treasurer-General, the fact that Supreme Council continues to incur deficits annually is becoming more and more serious not only for Supreme Council today, but for the Supreme Council of the future.

To address this issue, your Sovereign Grand Commander, Grand Treasurer-General, Chief Operating Officer and Advisory Council reviewed in detail all revenues of Supreme Council and all expenses of Supreme Council with a view to reduce or eliminate future deficits.

Accordingly, the following is recommended as a start:

Revenue

Dues
As passed last year, the dues per member [per-capita] will increase $.50 per member for the next three years beginning in fiscal 2018 and is reflected in the budget.

Candidates' Fees
The Candidates' joining fee for the new Honorary Inspectors-General will remain unchanged at $200 or until subsequently increased.

Investments
The investments will remain unchanged and invested according to the investment plan adopted for Supreme Council or until subsequently altered

Expenses

Fixed Expenses
Fixed expenses, i.e. salaries, rent and ongoing administrative expenses basically are fixed with little or no options to reduce.

Professional Fees
It is suggested that Supreme Council request a review engagement instead of an audit, which will result in a savings of approximately $9,000.

Advisory Council
For the foreseeable future, all future Advisory Council Meetings will be held by teleconference rather than meeting in Hamilton once a year, which will result in a savings of approximately $5,500.

Library
The Scottish Rite Library previously housed at the Grand Lodge building has been moved to the Scottish Rite Office to be housed, which will result in a savings of approximately $1,300 each year.

Travel
Travel by members of Supreme Council and those who attend other jurisdictions will be carefully monitored and curtailed where possible. Again, to make every effort to reduce costs.

Supreme Council Sessions
Costs of Supreme Council Sessions, which traditionally is the most difficult cost to manage will be more stringently monitored and no doubt registration fees will need to increase accordingly, to meet rising costs.

~~**Travel Allowance**~~
~~Traditionally, Active and Past Active Members receive a "travel allowance" to attend the Annual Session, which is in two parts, to defray travel costs and to defray hotel accommodations. It is suggested that the "travel" portion of the allowance be eliminated for fiscal 2018 and the "accommodation" portion of the allowance be eliminated in fiscal 2019, which will result in savings of approximately $25,000 to $28,000 depending on the session location.~~

REVISED Travel Allowance
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SEE REVISED FINAL APPROVED BUDGET ON PAGE 171 IN THESE PROCEEDINGS

In Conclusion
Brethren, as I have stated in the past declining membership is the overall issue to not only Supreme Council, our Valleys, but all Masonic Bodies and again, as Grand Treasurer-General and the Audit and Finance Committee, we are equally concerned about the financial health and wellbeing of our Valleys.

Your thoughts and comments in connection with these suggestions are solicited. Sovereign Grand Commander.

SGC: Thank you, Tom, for your comments on that. We just wanted to clarify that one point, and of course we will vote on the budget on Saturday morning.

Brethren, just before the Honorary Inspectors-General are admitted, I want to remind you that all our discussions up to this point are strictly confidential, so we'll just keep it as that.

At this time, Stephen Godfrey, if you will open the door and we will admit the Honorary Inspectors-General.

To the Honorary Inspectors-General who just entered, welcome to Montréal, welcome to this Annual Session. Thank you for your interest in the operations of Supreme Council, and I trust you will find the reporting of interest.

Grand Secretary-General, will you please read the names of those Active Members in attendance.

GSG: Sovereign Grand Commander, the Active Members in attendance are:

Alan D. Arbuckle	Stephen Godfrey	Chesley R. Piercey
William A. Atkinson	Miles R. Graham	Jean Reed
David A. Bennett	Gordon L. Greasley	James S. Ross
Robert D. Brethour	Allan J. L. Hadley	Karl E. Springer
Richard A. H. Brown	John E. Harrison	James C. Sutherland
Harold E. Crosby	David G. Hooper	Gareth R. Taylor
William A. Davis	W. Douglas Keam	John G. Teleske
Jeffrey R. Dickson	Loren W. Kline	Matthew F. Todd
Michael D. H. Farr	Thomas E. Lewis	John W. Trousdale
James G. Finch	Allard B. Loopstra	Robert S. Whitmore
William C. Fitzsimmons	D. Ronald MacDonald	Thomas A. Wills
Brian W. Gilkinson	Terry A. McLean	

SGC: Thank you, Grand Secretary-General. Now, would you please read the name of those Active Members to be excused for non-attendance at this Supreme Council.

GSG: Sovereign Grand Commander, the Active Members to be excused for non-attendance are: Orlan J. Weber and Duncan S. Skinner.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Bob Brethour, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° that these Brethren be excused.

SGC: You heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussion? Hearing none, I'll call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed if any? CARRIED.

Thank you. Grand Secretary-General, would you please read the names of those Past Active Members in attendance.

GSG: Sovereign Grand Commander, the Past Active Members in attendance are:

Philippe A. Decelles	Samuel Kalinowsky	Donald D. Thornton
Maurice Hrycyk	Marvin J. Salmi	

SGC: Grand Secretary-General, would you please read the names of those Past Active Members not in attendance.

GSG: Sovereign Grand Commander, the Past Active Members not in attendance are:

Robert A. Barnett	Donald W. Lambie	Robert L. Taylor
Ray T. Bryant	Victor Lepp	Donald R. Thornton
John D. Chadbourne	Marvin L. Munro	Robert L. Waddell
Gerald A. Chaulk	Donald A. Murray	Robert G. Wands
Stanley J. Clayton	Kenneth S. Orr	Michael Ward
William A. Cook	Pierre A. Phaneuf	Alexander W. Watson
George N. Cooper	John A. Prosnick	Sydney R. Whiteley
C. Edwin Drew	Richard D. Quinton	John E. E. Winch
Thomas V. Hannan	O. Jack Sproule	James T. Wood
Rozin D. Iwanicki	H. Edward Standish	Gordon S. Young

SGC: Thank you, Grand Secretary-General. The Supreme Council will send a letter to the Past Actives and their ladies, mentioning how they are missed at the Annual Session and give them a little update of what happened in Montréal.

Grand Secretary-General, have all the Deputies filed their reports?

GSG: Yes, they have, Sovereign Grand Commander, and they will be found on pages 81 to 138 in the Preliminary Reports.

SGC: You're doing such a good job you can continue. Grand Secretary-General, I call for your report.

The Grand Secretary-General's Report was presented by Ill. Bro. Robert Brethour, 33°

Grand Secretary-General's Report

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers and Brethren:

It is my privilege to present this annual report.

Annual Sessions

The Annual Session in St. John's, with 430 in attendance, was very successful. Many thanks are due to Ill. Bro. Owen Devereaux, 33° and the members of the host committee for a job well done. The hospitality afforded attendees to the session was second to none, and the committee's attention to detail resulted in the smooth conduct of the session's business program.

The organization of the Annual Session in September 2017, hosted by the Valley of Montréal, is now complete. Chairman Francois Nasraoui 32° and his team have worked hard to ensure those in attendance have a most enjoyable time in Montréal.

Future Sessions

The Valley of London is well into the planning of the Annual Session of 2018, under the chairmanship of Ill. Bro. D. Garry Dowling, 33°. 2018 marks the 150th Anniversary of Scottish Rite in this Valley, and we look forward to joining with them to mark this tremendous milestone. The Valley will be making a presentation at the session in Montréal.

At the current time no Valleys have applied to host the annual sessions after 2018.

Grand Representatives

We currently await a reply from Serbia confirming our Grand Representative of their Supreme Council near this Supreme Council.

Scottish Rite Membership in Canada 2016

At year end of 2016, membership in Scottish Rite in Canada was approximately 13,600. This is a further decline of over 500 members from the previous year. These figures are approximate as 6 Valleys had not yet submitted their AR Membership Forms at the time of the writing of this report.

As noted elsewhere in this report, several Provinces report a stabilization of membership numbers in Craft Lodges. This provides a very real opportunity for Scottish Rite to attract new members, something all Valleys should be working towards. Master Masons events, Craft Lodge Degree Teams, and Information/Education Presentations in Craft Lodges are all useful tools in informing potential members of all that Scottish Rite has to offer, and Valleys are encouraged to utilize these opportunities.

Supreme Council Office Updates

The office in Hamilton continues to work in a most efficient manner thanks to the efforts of COO Ill. Bro. Steven Warren, 33° and Office Administrator Ms. Leslie Drake. Some specific duties associated with the recording of information are outsourced as required.

The website of Supreme Council (scottishritecanada.ca) continues to be a useful tool to both educate and provide useful information to members and non-members alike. The addition of an Education & Enlightenment section on the website provides interesting educational material and instruction for the benefit of our members. All newsletters received in the office are placed on the website as an additional source of information.

In addition, the Members Section contains all necessary forms as well as various reports. Supreme Council has also opened a facebook page – a medium for communication much utilized by our members. The increase in the use of various forms of social media has necessitated the formation of an official Social Media Policy, which has been undertaken by Ill. Bro. Alan Arbuckle and the Communications Committee.

The Clarion magazine, published earlier this year, provided a snapshot of various activities associated with the 'Scottish Rite Week' held in November of 2016. The Clarion continues to be well received by our membership.

At the request of the Sovereign Grand Commander, a complete review of the Statutes and Regulations has been undertaken by Ill. Bro. Brian Gilkinson. His recommendations will be given consideration at this annual session.

Conferences Attended

Report on the Conference of Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries of North America

The 2017 Conference of Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries of North America was held in Omaha, Nebraska February 18-21. Representing the AASR of Canada were Sovereign Grand Commander Terry A. McLean and Grand Secretary-General Robert D. Brethour. There were a total of 466 brethren and 185 ladies registered.

Registrants, other than the Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries of North America, included representatives from: the Northern and Southern Jurisdictions of Scottish Rite in the USA; Hi-Twelve International; George Washington Memorial; DeMolay International; Shriners International; Masonic Service Association; the National Sojourners; Eastern Star; Royal Arch Masons; Rainbow Girls; National Masonic Foundation for Children; Masonic Charities and Service Association; Masonic Home Missouri; Job's Daughters; Masonic Memorial Research Laboratory; York Rite Sovereign College; the Order of the Amaranth; Knights Templar; and Grand Masters or their representatives from Belgium, France, Paraguay, Baja California, Brazil, Portugal, Germany, Liechtenstein, Austria, the Netherlands, Bulgaria, Italy, Iran in Exile, and Romania.

The Pre-conference Tour and Lunch on February 18th included a visit to the Missouri River landing site of Lewis & Clark in downtown Omaha; a tour of the Omaha Valley Scottish Rite building; lunch catered by the Tangier Shrine Culinary Masters; and a visit to the Durham Museum. It was an excellent tour.

The Conference of Grand Secretaries commenced at 9:00 am on February 19th. Daniel Gardiner, Assistant Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Montana, delivered the Keynote Address entitled "Our Peculiar System of Morality". His remarks focused on 'What Freemasonry Is' versus 'What Freemasonry Does'. Uniting members based both by commonality and differences – and in particular overcoming those differences – is the key to achieving the goal of 'making good men better'. Bro. Gardiner also noted the importance of recognizing and celebrating milestone dates and anniversaries associated with Freemasonry.

This address was followed by a presentation by Jorge Aladro, the author of the Masonic Leadership Manual for Florida, entitled "Where Do We Go From Here?" His remarks focused

on Masonic Education and Leadership, and the loss of members due to a lack of education. The key to overcoming the difficulties many jurisdictions are experiencing include consistency, support and leadership.

Scott Pedley, Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin, then led a panel discussion on Masonic Education. The need to utilize Masonic Education as training was emphasized, as well as a focus on the 'how' when we speak of 'how we make good men better'. New candidates are looking for friendship, self-improvement, and the opportunity to make an impact. Various individuals spoke of educational programs and ideas in their jurisdictions.

Additional presentations during the conference included:

- An overview of DeMolay by William Sardone, Grand Master of DeMolay International;
- Masonic relations between concordant bodies by Jeff Sowder, High Priest and Prophet of Shrine International;
- The digitization of records by Richard Lynn, Grand Secretary of Florida;
- A discussion on Time and Service Awards by Larry Felden, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Utah;
- A discussion on Controversial Topics led by Michael DeWolf, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin. Topics raised and discussed included: Masons who change gender; Weapons in Lodges; Postings on Internet; and the Incorporation of Lodges;
- A presentation, hosted by Ed Bousquet, was made concerning the National Soujourners 2016 Veterans Initiative;
- A presentation by the Grand Lodge of Indiana highlighted the 2018 Convention of this conference in Indianapolis;
- A presentation was made on technologies available to facilitate electronic voting at Grand Lodge assemblies. This would not be applicable to Scottish Rite in Canada;
- The Masonic Renewal Committee was created to support and assist Grand Lodges. Patton Hart, Past Grand Master of Kentucky, reviewed the resources available to all Masons on line at Masonicrenewal.org;
- A discussion, hosted by Richard Lynn, examined the possibility of listing Lodges electronically in all jurisdictions of the United States;
- The Commission on Information for Recognition Report was presented by Joe Harrison;
- Allan Casalou, on behalf of Robert Conley, hosted a presentation on Rightsizing Lodges and Grand Lodges;
- The Masonic Service Association made a presentation of their 'Short Talk Bulletin' for educational purposes, and also programs for disaster relief and Veteran Hospital visitations;
- Dean Alban, Director of Membership for the SMJ AASR, hosted a presentation on Freemasonry – Communication – Innovation Past, Present and Future;

Over the course of the conference there were various Breakout Sessions. These included:

- Identifying and Assisting Lodges in Distress;
- Improving the Lodge Experience;
- Lodge Development & Rejuvenation;
- The Business of the Fraternity.

It should also be noted that Ill. Bro. Terry Shand, 33°, a member of this Supreme Council, was elected as President of the Conference of Grand Secretaries for 2018.

Report on the All Canada Conference of Grand and District Grand Lodges
April 28-29, 2017 Winnipeg, Manitoba

The 2017 Conference of Grand & District Grand Lodges A.F. & A.M. of Canada was held in Winnipeg, Manitoba on April 28th & 29th, 2017. Representing Supreme Council as observers

were Sovereign Grand Commander Terry A. McLean; Deputy for Manitoba and Nunavut Gordon L. Greasley; and Grand Secretary-General Robert D. Brethour. Immediate Past Sovereign Grand Commander Richard A. H. Brown was also in attendance as Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan. Nine of ten Grand Lodges in Canada were represented as well as the District Grand Lodge of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Following the Opening of the Conference by President James Ratchford, Grand Master of Alberta, an invocation and the National Anthem, Manitoba Grand Master Stan Barclay welcomed all to Winnipeg. This was followed by reports on the Grand Masters of North America Conference in Omaha, Nebraska by Deputy Grand Master Paul Todd of Ontario, and the Grand Secretaries of North America Conference by Grand Secretary Bill Kostenuk of Alberta.

George Moore, Grand Secretary of British Columbia and Yukon, provided a power point presentation on the Widows Sons Motorcycle Club entitled 'Ethics in Freemasonry'. This generated much discussion on the public perception of this organization, and their use of Masonic symbols and emblems on logos and uniforms. The consensus among attendees at the conference was that, while there is concern about the Widows Sons, each Grand Lodge would have to choose their own path in dealing with this organization.

Jurisdictional Reports were presented by the Grand Masters, or their representatives, of all Grand Lodges in attendance. Demits and suspensions are a common issue in most jurisdictions, but it was encouraging to learn that in several Provinces membership decreases have stabilized and in some cases membership is increasing.

Reports were also presented on the Western Canada Conference – an annual meeting of the 4 western Provinces and Territories – and the Commission on Information for Recognition of Grand Lodges. Canada has one representative on this Commission, with Richard Brown assuming that position.

A Round Table Discussion was introduced on the topic 'Should Wiccans and Pagans be Masons?' Considerable discussion ensued on the belief systems of Wiccans and Pagans, but the consensus was that determination concerning a belief in a Supreme Being and an applicant's willingness to take an Oath on the Volume of the Sacred Law would suffice. Further discussion took place concerning the potential need for criminal record checks on applicants due to an increasing number of electronic enquiries being received.

The remainder of the Jurisdictional Reports were presented on Saturday morning, as well as a discussion and poll on 'per capita fees'. These range from a low of $25 to a high of $76 in one Grand Lodge.

Several other Round Table Discussions were introduced, including:

- 'Can Technology Save Freemasonry?'
- 'Is There a Leadership Void?'
- 'Sex Change – Does This Enable a Person to Become a Mason?'
- 'Gays and Freemasonry'.

Canadian President Ernie Loiselle and a delegation from DeMolay Canada delivered a power point presentation providing an overview of the history and structure of DeMolay, and how Grand Lodges can help in promoting and encouraging the organization.

The conference concluded with a brief business meeting at which the 2018 Officers of the All Canada Conference were named as follows: President Andre Boivin (Québec); Vice President Ron Yates (BC &Yukon); Secretary Steve Kane (Manitoba); and Treasurer Terry Shand (Ontario). The 2018 All Canada Conference will be held on April 27-28 at the same location in Winnipeg.

Special Committees
The Special committees of Membership; Leadership; Communications; and Education & Enlightenment remain in place and are working for the benefit of our Scottish Rite membership. These committees are chaired by Ill. Bros. Terry McLean, Robert Whitmore, Alan Arbuckle, and Robert Brethour. The actions of these committees will be the subject of separate reports.

In addition, the SGC named the Ad Hoc committees of 'Valley Workload, Balanced or Unbalanced?' (chaired by Ill. Bro. James Finch, 33°), and 'Degrees In The 21st Century' (chaired by Ill. Bro. Allard Loopstra 33°). These committees will examine the workload on members in many Valleys, and the possibility of updating and perhaps modernizing degrees with smaller casts.

Closing Remarks
My first year as Grand Secretary-General has been a tremendous learning experience. My integration into the role has been aided immensely by the cooperation and guidance provided by Sovereign Grand Commander Ill. Bro. Terry McLean, Ill. Bro. Brian Gilkinson, Ill. Bro. Steven Warren, and Ms. Leslie Drake. The capable manner in which the office is managed certainly makes the job of Grand Secretary-General much easier. In addition, the ready willingness of Ill. Bro. McLean and Ill. Bro. Gilkinson to offer counsel and guidance has been most appreciated, as both have served as GSG and have extensive experience that they have been most willing to share. The ability to perform many of the duties of this office from a remote location has resulted in less time in the Hamilton office. Having the office managed so efficiently makes this possible.

There are, of course, many other individuals whose collective efforts play an integral role in the day to day operations and wellbeing of Scottish Rite across Canada. In particular, the cooperation of the Deputies and Valley Secretaries has been most appreciated. Thank you!

Respectfully submitted,
Robert D. Brethour, 33°
Grand Secretary-General

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Bob Brethour, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° for the acceptance of this report.

SGC: Brethren, you have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Are there any questions or discussion? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

I want to thank you, Robert, too, for your leadership as Grand Secretary-General. It's your first year on the job, and you did a pretty good job.

Now I call on the Grand Treasurer-General, Tom Lewis, for his report.

The Report of the Grand Treasurer General and the Report of the Board of Trustees was given by Ill. Bro. Thomas Lewis, 33°.

Grand Treasurer-General's Report

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers and Brethren:

I am once again pleased to present the Annual Financial Statements and the Auditor's report for the year ended May 31, 2017, which will be published in the Annual Proceedings of this

Session. Copies of these financial statements, which were approved following consultation with our auditors can be found in the “Preliminary Proceedings.” The Financial Statements constitute both a general and detailed report of all revenues and expenses during the year pursuant to Article .28 [c] of the Statutes and Regulations of Supreme Council.

The audited financial statements for Supreme Council for the year ended May 31, 2017, were reviewed and discussed in detail with our auditors Grant Thornton LLP, Chartered Accountants. For the year ended May 31, 2017, your Supreme Council experienced an **excess of expenses over revenue before unrealized gain on investments** in the amount of $61,587 as compared to an **excess of over expenses over revenue** in the amount of $22,050 for fiscal 2016.

The statements of operations and the related schedules of expenses, which can be found in the “ Preliminary Proceedings “ present the results of operations for the year ended May 31, 2017 together with the comparative figures for the year ended May 31, 2016.

The Draft Budget found in the “Preliminary Proceedings” outlines in detail the results of operations for the year ended May 31, 2017 compared to the 2017 budget approved at last year’s annual session of Supreme Council.

General Comments

Producing much needed investment income to fund Supreme Council operations is becoming more and more difficult with all-time low interest rates and the oil situation, which has led many companies to reduce the dividend payout. Hopefully, this situation will improve in the near future.

Declining membership and its effect on the annual per-capita assessment to Supreme Council continues to be a concern to your Grand Treasurer-General. Dues [per capita assessments] continue to decline each year, however costs continue increase each year.

As your Grand Treasurer-General, I continue to be concerned with the financial health of the Valleys across Canada and I am cognisant of their financial concerns and problems.

The total revenue decreased from $200,406 in 2016 to $193,561 in 2017 due primarily to decreased per-capita assessments as a result of declining membership. Hopefully, dues revenue should show an increase in fiscal 2018, 2019 & 2020 due to the annual assessment increases passed last year at Supreme Council, although the continual decline in membership will partially offset the increased per-capita assessments.

Overall expenses, i.e. Administrative, Activities, Officers and committees and Annual Session cost have increased from $292,305 in 2016 to $307,603 in 2017. Administration costs reflect an increase of approximately $ 8,400, while Activities expenses are down $15,440 [since the prior year provided for the cost of the membership video of $18,802], Officers and Committee costs including travel are down $23,442 **however** Session costs increased $45,755.

Your Grand Secretary-General would like to congratulate the Valley of St. John’s on their successful hosting of last year’s Supreme Council Session.

As indicated elsewhere in the “ Preliminary “ Reports, the recent volatile markets with respect to oil prices, low investment income returns and various geopolitical concerns has adversely effected the portfolios which indicate an overall decline of $85,150.This was exacerbated the fact that it was necessary to withdraw $140,000 from our general investments to fund operations.

The Investment income and realized [net] capital gains indicate a decrease for the year of $17,394 [2017 – $52,455 vs. 2016 $69,849].

Financial Instruments
As indicated in the notes to the financial statements, effective June 1, 2008, the organization adopted the accounting and disclosure requirements of the CICA's two new accounting standards, Section 3862, Financial Instruments Disclosures, and Section 3863, Financial Instruments – Presentation.

Effective June 1, 2008, the organization also adopted the CICA's new accounting standard, Section 1535, Capital Disclosures, which requires the disclosure of both quantitative and qualitative information that enables the users of financial statements to evaluate the entity's objectives, policies and processes for managing capital.

The new standard did not have a material effect on the financial statements.

As a result of the foregoing policy, it was necessary to provide for an unrealized gain on investments in the amount of $36,613 which resulted in an overall **excess of expenses over revenue** of $24,974 [i.e. $61,587 – $36,613].

Investments
Our investment portfolios continue to be in the care of R. B. C. Dominion Securities and as indicated above, they continue to struggle despite recent improvements to the markets I would continue to recommend the engagement of R. B. C. Dominion Securities to attend to our financial needs.

The net value of the assets of the Supreme Council as at May 31, 2017 consisting of cash on deposit and cash equivalents, investments at fair value together with amounts receivable, inventory and prepaid items, less liabilities for accounts payable and fees paid in advance totalled $1,560,135 as compared to $1,585,109 as at May 31,2016.

Our investment income aggregated $51,026 for the year ended May 31, 2017 as compared to $52,363 in the prior year. The net gain on the disposal of investments during the year amounted to $1,429 as compared to net realized gain on the sale of investments in the prior year of $17,486.Your Trustees and investment advisors continue to work within the amended [2012] guidelines of the Supreme Council Investment Policy, whereby the portfolios are generally managed within a maximum of 50% / 50% split of fixed income to equity investments. The details of the investment portfolios can be found in the audited financial statements and in the report of the Trustees.

In accordance with Art.28 [d] of the Statutes and Regulations, your Grand Treasurer-General has submitted a draft annual budget plan for the ensuing fiscal year i.e. June 1, 2017 to May 31, 2018. This proposed budget has been submitted to the Chairman of Audit and Finance and his committee for review and will be addressed in detail in due course and submitted for your approval.

Actions During The Year
In addition to the duties and responsibilities of the Grand Treasurer-General as outlined in the Statutes and Regulations of Supreme Council, your Grand Treasurer-General, Grand Secretary-General and Chief Operating Officer are in regular communication throughout the year with our representative at R. B. C. Dominion Securities to review the investment portfolios and their respective performances.

Your Grand Treasurer-General, the Grand Secretary-General and the Chief Operating Officer have met on a regular basis to review various matters in connection with the financial affairs of Supreme Council and other staffing and office matters. As indicated above, we have also met with our Auditors, Grant Thornton, Chartered Accountants to review their report and the year-

end audited financial statements. A special thanks to our auditors Grant Thornton, Chartered Accountants, LLP for their overall assistance and interest during the year.

Special Candidates Fund

Once again, I am pleased to report that as a result of your confirmation to establish a Candidates' Capital Fund, [2005] this new fund, as outlined in the audited financial statements received the initial seed money of $15,000 together with the contributions from the candidates and investment income over the past few years. The investment portfolio for this fund at fair value now aggregates $178,574 plus cash equivalents of $1,889 for a total of $180,463 as at May 31, 2017.

This fund will increase with the contributions from this year's class by $9,600 i.e. 48 x $200. From here on in, the joining fee as outlined in the Statutes and Regulations of Supreme Council of every new Honorary Inspector-General will include an amount of $200 or such amount as determined by Supreme Council from time to time. This amount will be invested in this Special Candidates' Capital Fund.

The $9,600 from this year's class will be been transferred to the Special Candidates' Fund maintained by R. B. C. Dominion Securities and duly deployed.

Again, It is suggested that when the fund becomes a **meaningful** amount, annually Supreme Council would withdraw say eighty-five [85%] percent of the income earned by the fund to assist with the financial operations of Supreme Council. The capital would remain intact. Accordingly, each year the fund will increase by the fifteen [15%] of the investment income retained in the fund, as well as the contributions made by the fees paid by the new Honorary Inspector-Generals and hopefully by capital appreciation on the investments being held. This recommendation, now implemented will provide an annual renewable source of capital in the future.

In Conclusion

Your Sovereign Grand Commander, Grand Treasurer-General, Chief Operating Officer and the Advisory Council express their concern in that Supreme Council continues year after year to incur **Excess of expenses over revenue before unrealized gains [losses] on investments**. This is further exacerbated by the declining membership statistics.

The result is that Supreme Council has to draw down on their investments to meet operating expenses, which is in itself self-defeating.

To address this concern, the Advisory Council in concert with the Sovereign Grand Commander, the Grand Treasurer-General and the Chief Operating Officer undertook a detailed review of all incomes and expenses of Supreme Council. Brethren, these matters are serious not only for Supreme Council today, but for the brethren of Supreme Council of the future. Although perhaps not "palatable", serious actions have to be taken to address these ongoing concerns. I would refer you to the notes and comments accompanying the Draft Budget in the "Preliminary Proceedings".

I would again laud the efforts of our Sovereign Grand Commander and Lieutenant Grand commander on their ongoing efforts to introduce meaningful programs to address ***membership decline***, **leadership requirements and communication skills** within Scottish Rite. This effort also included new promotional material for distribution to potential candidates along with the candidates' video. Hopefully, these initiatives will pay dividends in attracting new members to the Rite.

In closing, I would once again wish to record a word of appreciation to all the Supreme Council staff for their loyal support throughout the year. And to all the Supreme Council brethren who have conscientiously applied fiduciary accountability in helping Supreme Council keep expenditures to budget.

Your Grand Treasurer-General acknowledges the work and efforts of Ill. Bro. Steven Warren 33° Chief Operating Officer and a very special thanks to Ms. Leslie Drake of the Office of the Grand Secretary-General.

Again, a special word of thanks to Ill. Terry McLean. 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill. Bro. Robert Whitmore, 33°, Lieutenant Grand Commander, 33°, Ill. Bro. Robert Brethour, 33°, Grand Secretary-General and again Ill. Bro. Steven Warren 33°, Chief Operating Officer and the office staff at Supreme Council for all their assistance rendered to the Grand Treasurer-General during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas E. Lewis
Grand Treasurer-General

Report of the
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers and Brethren:

The duties and responsibilities of the Board of Trustees of this Supreme Council can be found in Article 35 of the Statutes and Regulations of the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Accordingly, we submit the following report in connection therewith.

Your Board of Trustees reports that as at May 31, 2017, the net assets under its charge totaled $1,560,135 compared to $1,585,109 as at May 31, 2016.The decrease in the net assets in the amount of $24,974 is represented by an operating excess of expenses over revenue of $61,587 minus a year end adjustment for unrealized gain on investments in the amount of $36,613 for a net excess of expenses over revenue in the amount of $24,974.

During the last fiscal year, securities matured or were sold with the result that Supreme Council realized a net capital gain of $1,429 compared to a net capital gain of $17,486 in 2016 together with investment income of $51,026 [2016 – $52,363]. The total of investment income and net capital gains in the amount of $52,455 [2016 – $69,849] was $27,545 under the budgeted amount of $80,000.

The Supreme Council investment portfolios aggregated $1,546,067 at market value as at May 31, 2017. Note, additional cash is included in the cash and cash equivalents, which represents residual cash in the broker's accounts of the General Investments and the Special Candidates' Fund in the amounts of $710 and $1,889 respectively for a total of $2,599. Thus bringing the total investment portfolios to $1,548,666 as at May 31, 2017 as compared to $1,633,816 as at May 31, 2016. The cash on hand as at May 31, 2017 was the result of cash accumulated from investment income received and not deployed at the year end.

To summarize the foregoing:

Cash and cash equivalents includes the cash balance in the bank and brokerage firms together with the investments as outlined below:

	2017	2016
Investments – unrestricted [General Investments]		
Cash in Broker's account	710	35,079
Investments at market value	1,367,493	1,441,119
	1,368,203	1,476,198
Investments – restricted [Special Candidates' Fund]		
Cash in Broker's account	1,889	59
Investments at market value	178,574	157,559
	180,463	157,618
Total Investment Funds	1,548,666	1,633,816

Your Trustees and our investment advisor R. B. C. Dominion Securities continue to work within the guidelines of the Supreme Council Investment Policy, whereby we manage the portfolios generally within a maximum 50% / 50% split of fixed income to equity securities. Information provided by R. B. C. Dominion Securities indicates that for fiscal 2017, the General Investment Portfolio experienced an annual overall rate of return of 5.11% and the Special Candidates' Fund experienced an annual overall rate of return of 9.6%.

We would also advise that all securities were held in accordance with the requirements of ART.35 [b] of the Statutes and Regulations and income there from is paid to the Supreme Council on request except for investment income earned on the Special Candidates' Fund, which is internally restricted until such time as the fund balance and the investment income there from become more meaningful.

In some years, it is unnecessary to transfer any funds to Supreme Council, however during fiscal 2017, cash requirements were such that it necessitated the transfer of $140,000 from the General Investment Portfolio to the Supreme Council bank account to cover operating costs.

General Comments

The volatility of the markets over the past year continue to be a challenge, especially with the continued low interest rates and likewise low oil prices, which is exacerbated by lower demand for oil and geopolitical concerns throughout the world. As they say "as goes the price of oil, so goes to TSX and the Canadian dollar."

Nevertheless, the Supreme Council investment portfolios continue to provide well needed investment income to fund operations, albeit reduced from previous years.

Once again, we continue to be pleased with the services of R.B.C. Dominion Securities and their representatives. In particular, we would like to express our thanks to Mr. Richard te Boekhorst of R.B.C. Dominion Securities for their assistance, interest and availability throughout the year. Accordingly, we would recommend the continuing engagement of this firm to administer the Supreme Council Investment portfolios and provide for our investment needs.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee
Terry McLean, 33°
Robert D. Brethour, 33°
Thomas E. Lewis, 33°

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Tom Lewis, 33° and John Harrison, 33° that the Auditor's Report, the Grand Treasurer-General's Report and the Report of the Board of Trustees be adopted.

SGC: Thank you. You have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussion? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Motion to select the auditor for next year.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Tom Lewis, 33° and John Harrison, 33° that the Chartered Accountant firm of Grant Thornton, Chartered Accountants, be appointed to attend to our accounting needs for the ensuing 2018 fiscal year.

SGC: Thank you. You have heard the motion proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussion? I'll call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

I want to thank you, Tom, for the work you do as our Grand Treasurer-General. Much appreciated.

Now I'll call on Robert Whitmore for the report of the Committee on Supreme Council Sessions restructuring.

The Report on the Committee on Session Restructuring was given by Ill. Bro. Robert Whitmore, 33°.

Report of the Sovereign Grand Commander's Initiative on
SESSION RESTRUCTURING

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers and Brethren:

OVERVIEW
The purpose of this report is to consider the implications and steps required to implement a change from a three year term for Supreme Council officers with Full Annual Sessions occurring every year as in the past to a four year term with Full Annual Sessions occurring only in alternating years and with only Executive Annual Sessions occurring, by means of teleconference or other electronic means, in the intervening years.

In this report we have adopted the term Full Annual Session to designate a full Session of Supreme Council which includes both the Executive Sessions and the conferral of the Thirty Third Degree and the Crowning, Installation and Investiture of new Active Members of Supreme Council and new Officers of Supreme Council (i.e. the full programme as has been held each year in the past) and the term Executive Annual Session to designate a session as being only an Executive Session including only Active and Past Active Members of Supreme Council together with any other invited participants.

BACKGROUND
At the meeting of Advisory Council held on April, 2016 a motion was passed providing as follows: That the structure of the Annual Sessions be modified to provide for Full Sessions in every even number year with an Executive Session of Active and Past Active Members occurring in odd numbered years, the latter to be conducted by teleconference and/or other electronic means; that the terms of Supreme Council Officers be changed to four years; that the candidates for the

conferral of the 33rd degree be elected annually with those elected during an Executive Session to await conferral to the next full Annual Session, all of which is to commence with the Executive Session to be held in 2019.

Following passage of this motion at Advisory Council, our Sovereign Grand Commander appointed a Steering Committee naming Robert Whitmore as Chairman and Terry McLean, Richard Brown, Brian Gilkinson, Robert Brethour, and Steven Warren as members the purpose of which steering committee was to examine the Statutes and Regulations and to compose any amendments necessary for presentation to the Annual Session in Montréal 2017.

WHY MAKE A CHANGE?

The reality is that our current schedule of Annual Sessions is very expensive and does not appear to be financially viable if we are to maintain our Supreme Council as an economically responsible body.

Looking at the financial results for the last ten years, we see the following:

Year	Host Valley	Results Before Travel Allowance	Results After Travel Allowance
2007	Ottawa	($30,856.00)	($54,957.00)
2008	Vancouver	($54,437.00)	($85,325.00)
2009	Hamilton	$25,217.00	$2,926.00
2010	Moncton	($7319.00)	($33,658.00)
2011	Thunder Bay	$25,478.00	$2,160.00
2012	Winnipeg	($28,360.00)	($54,908.00)
2013	Barrie	$18,776.00	($2,285.00)
2014	Halifax	($1,153.00)	($28,360.00)
2015	Windsor	$1,419.00	($19,286.00)
2016	St. John's	($34,658.00)	($60,549.00)

While we recognize that some Valleys have been able to host a Full Session without incurring a loss, after the Travel Allowance is applied only two years have resulted in a positive financial outcome. Fully recognizing that the Travel Allowance is outside of Valley control, it still is a significant expense to Supreme Council and each year it represents a significant cost for us. Looking at these ten years, you will see that, even before taking the Travel Allowance into account, there has been an overall financial loss of $87,312.00. After taking the Travel Allowance into account the overall financial loss rises to $334,242.00.

Obviously, losses of this magnitude cannot and should not be continued.

Another factor to be considered is the increased difficulty in finding host Valleys which are both willing and able to arrange and host our Full Annual Sessions. Organizing and hosting a Full Annual Session is a multi-year commitment. Not all Valleys have the municipal resources to accommodate such an event. Not all Valleys have the membership willing and able to devote their time and talents to such an endeavour. In the past, we have been blessed with many Valleys who have hosted wonderful and successful Annual Sessions but we may not be able to count on as many of these Valleys in the future as costs escalate, member's age, and membership numbers decline.

ALTERNATIVES

Although the motion passed by Advisory Committee clearly selects the option of a four year cycle with Full Annual Sessions occurring in alternate years and only Executive Annual Sessions occurring each of the intervening years, consideration has been given to going with a two year

term only in which the first year would see a Full Annual Session and the second year would be an Executive Annual Session only. This would see a two year term for officers. It was felt that this option has certain drawbacks in that it would likely be very difficult for a Sovereign Grand Commander to visit each of the Valleys in Canada within a two year term only nor would a two year term provide a sufficient time period for a Sovereign Grand Commander and his Officers to establish the stability and continuity necessary for effective governance. It further would require new officers, at least at the Lieutenant Grand Commander and Sovereign Grand Commander level every two years rather than the proposal being every four years.

Another alternative looked at was to maintain our current three year term but to have Full Annual Sessions in the first and third years of each term and to hold only an Executive Annual Session in the second year of each three year term. While this option would retain the three year term of office, it would result in a schedule with there being two consecutive Full Annual Sessions followed by an Executive Annual Session the next year and then followed by two more Full Annual Sessions. Overall, this would seem to be a complicated schedule and one that would not accomplish the full economic benefit anticipated by the proposed four year term with only alternating Full Annual Sessions.

THE NEW STRUCTURE

Currently we have a Full Annual Session scheduled for September, 2017 in Montréal. This would not change; however, the recommendations made in this report would be considered at this Session. Whether or not these recommendations are accepted in Montréal, we will proceed with the scheduled Full Annual Session in London in 2018. This would mark the end of the triennial term of our current Sovereign Grand Commander and a new Sovereign Grand Officer and a new Lieutenant Grand Commander will be installed together with any other Supreme Council Officers. If these recommendations are approved at Montréal, these officers will be installed for a four year term rather than the current three year term. In 2019 we would hold an Executive Annual Session only (as described below). 2020 would see a Full Annual Session. 2021 would be an Executive Annual Session only and then in 2022 we would have a Full Annual Session which would mark the end of the four year term.

EXECUTIVE ANNUAL SESSION YEARS—HOW WOULD IT WORK

The proposal would be that in Executive Annual Session years, the Actives and Past Actives would meet, not in person, but rather by teleconference. Committees would also meet as necessary in this manner rather than in person. Teleconference meetings can be quite effective and efficient. This method of meeting would avoid the participants travelling to a single central location although it may well be that participants in a particular centre may wish to be present at the same location in order to participate. If facilities are available, it might be possible to participate by means of Skype or some similar video teleconference facility but it is important that whatever technical system is selected, all who are entitled to participate at our Executive Sessions must be enabled to participate.

It is submitted that, if properly organized, this type of electronic meeting can be done in an efficient and economical manner. It will require organization such as:

All committee and other reports will need to be distributed well in advance;

Since members who desire to speak to a matter will not be visible to the S.G.C. during the actual meeting, any brother who wishes to speak to a matter will be encouraged to notify the C.O.O. as well as the author of the report in advance so they can be called upon during the meeting at the appropriate time;

Notwithstanding the request that brethren indicate their desire to be heard on a matter, time must

be given during the meeting for all to have an opportunity to address any issue in the same manner as takes place in an “in person” meeting;

Voting will need to be done by specific role call voting rather than a show of hands;

Brethren will need to be scrupulous to maintain confidentiality during the teleconference meeting in the same manner as is the case during our current “in person” Executive Session meetings.

WILL IT SAVE MONEY?

Our C.O.O. has reviewed the detailed agenda used during the 2016 Sessions in St. John’s in order to estimate the time realistically expected to accomplish the business of an Executive Session and taking out of the schedule the time taken by those events that will occur only at Full Sessions (e.g. Vesper Service, Degree Conferral, Banquets, etc.). As a result, he has estimated that the normal business of only our Executive Session likely could be accomplished in approximately 2.5 hours. This assumes that committee reports will be pre-distributed and read by all in advance and not read during the call. The time allotted as noted above is for discussion. This may, of course, be overly optimistic however it must be remembered that when Advisory Council has met in the past by teleconference, the length of time required to conduct the business has been dramatically less than that required by “in person” meetings.

Currently the cost of a teleconference call is seven cents per minute per participant. We have 73 Active and Past Actives eligible to participate. In addition, adding our C.O.O. brings this number to 74. If we assume that at least some members (e.g. Hamilton) may group together for the teleconference call we therefore assume 70 participants, we would be looking at a cost of $735.00. Even if this estimate is doubled we have a cost of about $1,500.00 compared to the cost of a Full Session Meeting in person.

There also will be some committee meetings required which also could occur by teleconference. Examples of these meetings include the Nominations Committee and the Audit and Finance Committee. These would, of course, incur some addition cost but again, this cost would be quite low compared to the cost of the current “in person” meetings. Furthermore, there still will be costs incurred in the preparation of materials to be distributed to participants.

We must remember that meeting in Full Annual Session only every other meeting will not result in suddenly making those meetings less costly but it will eliminate the ongoing losses that would otherwise be experienced by the Full Annual Sessions not held during the “off years”. We also should consider the possibility that by holding Full Annual Sessions only every other year, the number of candidates at each Session will be larger than what we currently experience with our annual Full Sessions and with a larger class (and hopefully a resulting increased attendance by HIG’s) we might expect an increase in revenues at such Full Annual Sessions and a resulting improvement to the ultimate bottom line.

OTHER FACTORS TO CONSIDER

There are other factors to consider. For many of our Supreme Council members (Honorary, Active, and Past Active) and their spouses, attending our Full Annual Sessions every September is a highlight of the year in which we renew our fellowship, visit new and interesting areas of Canada, and often rekindle our masonic enthusiasm. Full Sessions on an annual basis also provide our Supreme Council with opportunities to receive visitors from other countries, to welcome local political leaders into our Friday morning session, to provide a visible Supreme Council presence to the host Valley and its community, both masonic and non-masonic, and generally to reaffirm the Scottish Rite position and role in masonry. Whether moving from Full Annual Sessions to holding them only in alternating years will diminish such enthusiasm and begin a process whereby some of our normal attendees will begin to drift away is a concern but it is one

that we cannot predict with accuracy in advance. Hopefully the commitments of our members are strong enough and the added enthusiasm that will be generated by larger numbers of candidates because of grouping two years together will be such that any such concerns will prove unfounded. Nevertheless, it is an uncertainty that we need to accept from the outset.

The process of recommending and nominating new Honorary Inspectors-General is clearly set out in our Statutes and Regulations. It is submitted that no change is required to this process except for the fact that, although the nominations would be processed annually and those selected would be announced in the current manner each year, the actual conferral of the 33rd degree would only occur every other year. Thus, those nominated and accepted in a Full Annual Session year would then need to wait until the next Full Annual Session Year (i.e. two years later) to receive the degree which they would do together with those nominated and accepted during the intervening Executive Annual Session year.

Other factors to consider flow from our requirement that Actives must go Past Active by attaining the age of 75 following which the transfer to Past Active Rank becomes effective at midnight of the day prior to the closing of the Annual Session next succeeding his attaining such age. Additionally, an Active might choose to resign as an Active Member at an earlier age. New Active Members are nominated and elected through the procedure set out in Article 7 of our Statutes and Regulations. It is submitted that both events can be accomplished at either a Full Annual Session or an Executive Annual Session in the same manner as occurs now albeit the formal crowning of an Active Member would not occur until the next Full Annual Session.

Supreme Council Officers are elected for a fixed term (currently three years but if this proposal is accepted the term would be four years). This would occur at the Full Annual Session concluding the four year term and if a vacancy occurs in the interim it could be filled in the same manner that such vacancies are filled now, recognizing that Article 20(f) provides that Officers-elect are to be installed “as soon as practicable after election”.

AMENDMENTS TO STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

These are significant changes. While they may be driven largely by financial concerns and realities, there may be unanticipated consequences that only become clear once we move forward. We may not know the long term results until we give this a trial run. As such we may wish to proceed with such changes on a trial basis. To do so would be facilitated by an amendment to Article 47.1 by adding the following subsection (c):

47.1(c) *Supreme Council may opt to amend any provision in the Statutes and Regulations on a temporary or trial basis by an affirmative vote of three-fourths of the Active Members, if there is compliance with all other provisions relating to amendments set out in this Article and the trial period is time limited to five years or less, at which point the amendment lapses unless a permanent amendment is approved, following the procedure set out in the Statutes and Regulations in force at the time. Supreme Council has the option to convert a temporary amendment to a permanent one at any time during the trial period specified when that amendment was approved.*

Whether or not we proceed on a trial basis or on a permanent basis, certain amendments will be required. If these are to be on a trial basis it is suggested that enabling motion provide that *the following amendments are made on a trial basis only pursuant to Article 47.1(c) for a trial period of five years following which time they shall lapse unless they are made permanent either at the conclusion of the five year term or earlier pursuant to Article 47.1(c)*.

If the amendments are not to be made on a trial basis only then the above wording would not be required however the following amendments (as shown in italics) would be required in either case:

Art. 5 (a) *The term Annual Session includes both a Full Annual Session at which all members of Supreme Council are entitled to attend, and an Executive Annual Session at which all Sovereign Grand Inspectors General are entitled to participate. These Annual Sessions shall alternate with a Full Annual Session occurring in even numbered years and only an Executive Annual Session occurring in odd numbered years.* This Supreme Council shall meet annually*, in either Full or Executive Annual Session,* in the month of September on such days as it may fix and at such place in Canada as it shall determine, except that, in special circumstances, the Sovereign Grand Commander shall have authority to summon this Supreme Council to meet *either in Full Annual Session or in Executive Annual Session* at such other time and place in Canada as he may designate.

Art. 5(c) Add the following: *Any Sessions of the Executive, including but not limited to any Executive Annual Session, and any Committees thereof may be held by means of such telephone, electronic or other communication facilities as permit all persons participating in the Session or Meeting to communicate with each other simultaneously, and any person participating in such Session or Meeting by such means is deemed for all purposes to be present at that Session or Meeting.*

Art. 7(d) change "preceding the Annual Session" to *preceding the Full Annual Session in years in which a Full Annual Session is to be held and otherwise on the day of the opening of the Executive Annual Session".*

Art. 11(a) change to "An Honorary Inspector-General shall have the right to attend all General Sessions of this Supreme Council *conducted at a Full Annual Session*, (with the exception of Executive Sessions). . .

Art 17(a) The Degree of Honorary Inspector-General shall be conferred upon a candidate only at *a Full* Annual Session of this Supreme Council. . .

Art 17(b) The Degree of Honorary Inspector-General shall be conferred on the day of the ceremonial opening of *a Full* Annual Session. . .

Art 17(d) Those candidates confirmed for conferral of the degree in the year preceding an Executive Annual Session shall be entitled to conferral of the degree at the next Full Annual Session of Supreme Council, in temporal priority to those elected in the year prior to that Full Annual Session.

Article 20 (c) change "triennially at the Annual Session" to "*every four years at the applicable Full Annual Session"*. . .

Art 20(e) change "triennial" Annual session to "*at a Full Annual Session commencing the first year of a four year term of office"* and change the word "triennial" in the last line of the subsection to "*the final year of the four year term of office".*

SCOTTISH RITE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

It is recognized that the Annual Members' Meeting of the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation traditionally has met during our Annual Sessions. Consequently, the changes contemplated in this report, if enacted, will impact the SRCF. Currently there are no Members of the SRCF who are not Active Members of Supreme Council although there are some Directors who are not Members. Certain by-law amendments will be required to enable Members' Meetings to be conducted electronically and to permit voting by roll call rather than a show of hands. Although these amendments are required if the traditional "in person" Annual Members' Meeting is not to occur in the alternating years when Supreme Council does not hold a Full Annual Session, in discussion with the President of the SRCF these changes appear to be feasible and likely should be made in any event.

SUMMARY
In Summary, it is recommended that Supreme Council move forward to implement the resolution passed by Advisory Council at its meeting in April 2016 so that:

commencing with the Full Annual Session in 2018 the term for Supreme Council Officers shall be four years and the Annual Sessions alternate with an Executive Annual Session in 2019, a Full Annual Session (which includes both Executive and Full sessions) in 2020, an Executive Annual Session in 2021 and a Full Annual Session in 2022;

these changes be implemented initially on a trial basis with their effects to be assessed no later than the Full Annual Session in 2022 and a decision as to whether such changes are to become permanent or not be made at or prior to that date;

that the applicable amendments to our Statutes and Regulations be presented for consideration at the Annual Session in Montréal in September, 2017.

I wish to express my thanks to each of the members of this Steering Committee as are named above as well as to Harold Crosby who provided the financial information pertaining to previous sessions and also to Tom Lewis for their assistance and input resulting in this report.

All of which is respectfully submitted on behalf of the Steering Committee.
Robert S. Whitmore, 33°,
Chairman

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Rob Whitmore, 33° and Bob Brethour, 33° for the acceptance of this report.

SGC: So the vote will be for the acceptance of the report.

LGC: Yes.

SGC: Are there any questions or discussions? Question, Jim? Would you go to the mic, please?

Ill. Bro. Sutherland: Just a question: Was there any consideration – we are still going to have the two full Sessions. Was there any consideration about changing the format of a full Session? Like, getting most of the work done and shrinking down the number of days so that it's all just about conferring degrees, crowning new thirty-thirds, having our visitors, but instead of five days we're two days or three days? Was that considered at all? Because we're still going to have a loss, I assume, on the full Sessions.

LGC: That may well be the case, Jim. Optimistically my hope is that because we'll have two years' worth of candidates we'll have a higher attendance, obviously, of candidates, we'll have a higher attendance of Honorary Inspectors-General who attend, and that fact may well generate more revenue and either avoid a loss or alleviate or reduce a loss.

But in answer to your first point, no, I think the consideration was that in the years where we have a full Annual Session it would be in the same format that we currently know and love. But that's not to say that in the future consideration might be given to doing what you're saying, yes.

Ill. Bro. Sutherland: I'm just thinking of the cost to the people attending and their holiday schedules. You know, things are getting more complicated and people only have so many holidays and don't want to spend it on a Masonic thing.

LGC: Yes. Yes, I know the feeling, but I'm also very cognisant of the fact that we don't want to reduce the Sessions to the point where people lose interest.

Ill. Bro. Sutherland: Okay. Thank you.

SGC: Bill Davis.

Ill. Bro. Davis: My name is Bill Davis, the Member from the Valley of Thunder Bay.

On the Executive Sessions, two-and-a-half hours, I will guarantee it's not going to be two-and-a-half hours.

I was vice-president of Professional Photographers of Ontario. Our meeting was six hours scheduled, went thirteen, always. We could never keep it down. So it's definitely not going to be – it may be the $1,400.00, because it may be closer to five or six.

Now, on this teleconference, you guys will set up what we're going to use, is that correct? Like, you named a bunch, but somebody can't be on Skype and somebody's on something else.

LGC: Right, right. So I tried to make that point that Skype may be wonderful for some people, but for an electronic meeting it is stipulated that it has to be accessible to everybody who is entitled to participate in the meeting. The method of participating must be available to everybody.

So presumably, at this point in time, we're looking at using a telephone.

Ill. Bro. Davis: Telephone?

LGC: And a teleconference through the telephone.

Ill. Bro. Davis: I know Khartoum Shrine, we went through the same thing because we have Brandon and Thunder Bay and Fort Frances and Dryden, and we use a TV. We can see them, they can see us, we can talk when they see it, and it's working very well for us.

I'm not exactly sure what they're using. They just send us a code, we key it in and we're in their meeting.

LGC: And I think that that's great and that facility and equipment may well be available to some people who would participate, but it may not be available to everybody. Whatever means is used, everybody has to be able to access it.

Ill. Bro. Davis: Good enough. Thank you.

SGC: Any further questions or discussions? Hearing none, then I will call for the vote. And this is the vote for the reception of the report. All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.
And thank you, Robert, for that thorough review.

Now I call on Brian Gilkinson for the Committee on Jurisprudence and Legislation.

The Report on the Committee on Jurisprudence and Legislation was presented by the Chairman, Ill. Bro. Brian Gilkinson, 33°.

Report of the Committee On
JURISPRUDENCE AND LEGISLATION

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers and Brethren:

The Committee on Jurisprudence and Legislation is required by ART. 40 (d) of the Statutes and Regulations to consider all matters referred to it, with particular reference to proposed amendments to the Statutes and Regulations and to report to this Supreme Council accordingly.

Part I of this report covers proposed amendments presented to the Grand Secretary-General and published in a timely manner as required by ART. 47.1(a) I and ii.

Part II of this report covers the Committee's report on the Allocution of the Sovereign Grand Commander.

Part III of this report will cover amendments, if any, proposed at the Annual Session and which meet the requirements specified in ART. 47.1(b).

PART I

This year your Committee has received the following notices of proposed amendments to the Statutes and Regulations and, in accordance with ART. 47.1(a) iii, your committee reports hereon as follows:

Note re Special Treatment of Presenting Amendments

To present these amendments in a format which your committee hopes will make them easy to visualize and understand, they are attached to this report as separate sections each containing the text of the notice of motion and the proposed amendments with the present wording, proposed to be altered, appearing in black type and struck out by lines while the wording of the proposed amendments immediately follow and appear in red type. Any proposed amendment that would constitute an additional or new provision to the Statutes and Regulations will appear in red type, appropriately labelled as to Article and subsection.

WORDS OF CAUTION

Your Committee wishes to emphasize that in reporting that these proposed amendments are found to be regular, it is in no way endorsing or commenting on the merits of the particular amendment but is stating only that it has been found to be regular and, therefore, open to be considered and made the subject of voting at the upcoming Executive Session of this Supreme Council.

Please note that proposed amendments are set out in five sections with each described in the notice of motion by which they are proposed:

> **Section I**, a collection of proposed amendments altering Article 5 subsection (d), Article 13, Article 14, Article 22 subsection (u), Article 25, Article 26 subsections (d) and (e), Article 35 subsection (a), Article 37 subsection (c), Article 38 subsection (a), Article 40 subsection (a) subclauses v and vi and subsection (d), Article 41 subsection (b), Article 47.2, Article 61 subsection (a), Article 62 subsection (b), Article 63 subsection (a) and adding "/Financial Reviewers" to the title of the Article, Article 66 subsections (a), (b) and (c), Article 69 subsection (b), Article 71 subsection (d), Article 90 subsections (a) and (b), Article 94 subsections (d) subclause I and subsection (e), Article 97 subsection (f), Article 99 subsections (b) and (c), Regulation 8.4 subsection (d) of the Statutes and Regulations and the addition of a new Regulation 11.
>
> **Section II**, a proposed amendment to add Article 47.1 (c) to the Statutes and Regulations.
>
> **Section III**, a proposed amendment to Article 5 (c) of the Statutes and Regulations.

Section IV, proposed amendments of Article 5 subsection (a), Article 7 subsection (d), Article 11 subsection (a), Article 17 subsections (a) and (b), Article 20 subsections (c) and (e) and the addition a new Article 17 (d).

Section V, proposed amendments to Regulations 10.4, 10.5 and 10.6 of the Statutes and Regulations.

Section I

ART. 5. ~~(d) Notice specifying the time and place of each Annual, Executive or Special Session shall be delivered or mailed by first class post, or sent by telegraph or facsimile addressed to each Active, Past Active and Honorary Member at least 30 days for Annual Sessions and at least 7 days for Special Sessions prior to the time fixed for each such Session, and for each Executive Session, to each Active and Past Active member at least 7 days prior to the time fixed for such Executive Session. (1997)~~

ART. 5. (d) Notice specifying the time and place of each Annual, Executive or Special Session shall be delivered or mailed by first class post at his last known address, or sent by email or other secure electronic means to each Active, Past Active and Honorary Inspector-General at least 30 days for Annual Sessions and at least 7 days for Special Sessions prior to the time fixed for each such Session, and for each Executive Session, to each Active and Past Active member at least 7 days prior to the time fixed for such Executive Session.

ART. 13. ~~Any Honorary Inspector-General, who changes or has changed his permanent residence to a place outside the province or territory from which he was nominated, shall not thereafter be reckoned in the computation of the number of Honorary Inspectors-General to which such province or territory is entitled, but shall be deemed an Honorary Inspector-General at Large. (1972)~~

ART. 13. Delete

ART. 14. ~~This Supreme Council may create Honorary Inspectors-General at Large, and in the computation of the number to which the province or territory of his permanent residence is entitled such member shall not be reckoned.~~

ART. 14. This Supreme Council may create Honorary Inspectors-General without prior recommendation.

ART. 22. ~~(u) for every action he is responsible to this Supreme Council, to which an appeal shall lie; but the pendency of such appeal shall not stay his action.~~

ART. 22. (u) for every action he is responsible to this Supreme Council, to which an appeal shall lie; but the pendency of such appeal shall not stay his action until such time as it may be overturned by a two thirds vote of the Active members of Supreme Council present and voting, provided that the number present and voting shall be a majority of all members who, if present, would be entitled to vote.

ART. 25. ~~The Grand Chancellor is the adviser of the Sovereign Grand Commander on matters of Masonic law and precedent. He shall be responsible to cause to be prepared charges against, and cause to be prosecuted before this Supreme Council or any tribunal created by it, members of this Supreme Council alleged to be offenders. He shall perform such other duties and functions as may be assigned to him by the Sovereign Grand Commander. (1987)~~

ART. 25. The Grand Chancellor is the adviser of the Sovereign Grand Commander on matters of Masonic law and precedent. He shall be responsible to cause to be prepared charges against, and cause to be prosecuted before this Supreme Council or any tribunal created by it, members of this Supreme Council alleged to be offenders in accordance with principles of natural justice and fundamental fairness and, as far as may be reasonably applicable, in accordance with the applicable provisions set out in these Statutes and Regulations. He shall

perform such other duties and functions as may be assigned to him by the Sovereign Grand Commander.

ART. 26. ~~(d) On or before the first day of July in each year, he shall make a full report in writing to the Sovereign Grand Commander on the condition of the Rite in his jurisdiction and on such other matters as he may deem expedient, and at the same time shall forward copies thereof to the Grand Secretary-General and to each member of the Committee on the General State of the Rite. (1977)~~

ART. 26. (d) On or before the first day of June in each year, he shall make a full report in writing to the Sovereign Grand Commander on the condition of the Rite in his jurisdiction and on such other matters as he may deem expedient or as he is directed by the Sovereign Grand Commander, and at the same time shall forward copies thereof to the Grand Secretary-General and to each member of the Committee on the General State of the Rite.

ART. 26. ~~(e) All orders and decisions made, and permissions and dispensations granted by the Deputy, shall be in writing; and a copy thereof, together with all fees therefore, be forwarded forthwith to the Grand Secretary-General.~~

ART. 26. (e) All orders and decisions made, and permissions and dispensations either granted or refused by the Deputy, shall be in writing; and a copy thereof, together with all applicable fees therefore, shall be forwarded forthwith to the Grand Secretary-General.

ART. 35. ~~(a) The Sovereign Grand Commander, the Grand Secretary-General, and the Grand Treasurer-General shall be a Board of Trustees to hold the real property and securities of this Supreme Council, to invest and reinvest in any of the investments or in any of the classes of investment in which Canadian insurance companies may invest their funds under the laws of Canada, provided that at least seventy-five percent of the book value of such investments shall be invested in those securities authorized by the laws of any province of Canada for the investment of trust funds, and to acquire and dispose of real and personal property of and for this Supreme Council, but subject from time to time to the instructions of this Supreme Council in Executive Session. (1972)~~

ART. 35. (a) The Sovereign Grand Commander, Grand Secretary-General and the Grand Treasurer-General shall be a Board of Trustees to hold the real property and securities of this Supreme Council, to invest and reinvest in any investments in accordance with the provisions of the Trustee Act R.S.O. 1990, c. T. 23 as amended from time to time and for greater certainty this Board of Trustees may invest the assets of this Supreme Council in any form of property in which a prudent investor might invest, including mutual funds and common trust funds, and to acquire and dispose of real and personal property of and for this Supreme Council, but subject from time to time to the instructions of this Supreme Council in Executive Session. In making investment decisions the Board of Trustees shall consider the following criteria in addition to any other criteria that is relevant to the circumstances: (i) general economic conditions, (ii) the possible effect of inflation or deflation, (iii) the expected tax consequences of investment decisions or strategies, (iv) the role that each investment or course of action plays within the overall trust portfolio, (v) the expected total return from income or the appreciation of capital and (vi) need for liquidity, regularity of income and preservation or appreciation of capital and (vii) an asset's special relationship or special value, if any, to the purposes of this Supreme Council.

ART. 37. ~~(c) The Executive Secretary shall be entitled to such compensation for his services, and the terms of his employment, shall be such as this Supreme Council shall fix from time to time, as recommended by the Advisory Council of this Supreme Council;~~

ART. 37. (c) The Executive Secretary shall be entitled to such compensation for his services and be subject to the terms of his employment as the Sovereign Grand Commander shall fix from time to time in consultation with the Advisory Council of this Supreme Council.

ART. 38. ~~(a) The Grand Secretary-General, the Grand Treasurer-General, the Executive Secretary, and as many of their assistants as this Supreme Council may decide, shall give bonds for the faithful discharge of their duties, in the forms and in the amounts which this Supreme Council may determine. The premiums on all bonds shall be paid out of the funds of this Supreme Council. (2001)~~

ART. 38. (a) Supreme Council shall determine and maintain adequate liability insurance coverage relating to the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, its Supreme Council, its officers, those authorized to act on its behalf and its constituent bodies. It is within the sole discretion of Supreme Council to stipulate the manner in which the costs of this coverage will be defrayed and to modify the terms and conditions of this coverage.

ART. 40. (a) **Audit and Finance:**

It shall be the duty of the Audit and Finance Committee to:

v. ~~prepare for the consideration and approval of this Supreme Council in Annual Session a budget for the next ensuing fiscal year;~~

v. review the budget for the upcoming fiscal year as prepared by the Grand Treasurer-General.

vi. ~~examine all expenditures and report any in excess of the budgeted provisions to this Supreme Council at the next Annual Session.~~

vi. examine all expenditures and report any in excess of the budgeted provisions, and the reasons therefor, to this Supreme Council at the next Annual Session.

ART. 40. ~~(d) **Jurisprudence and Legislation:**~~

~~It shall be the duty of the Committee on Jurisprudence and Legislation to consider all matters pertaining to the laws and jurisprudence of the Rite referred to it by this Supreme Council or by the Sovereign Grand Commander, to make recommendations with respect thereto, to report thereon to this Supreme Council at each Annual Session , and to examine and make recommendations to the Sovereign Grand Commander respecting new, revised or amending By-laws of constituent bodies received by the Grand Secretary-General. (1998)~~

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ART. 41. ~~(b) The following fees and dues shall be charged: (2016)~~

~~Letters Patent of Constitution Four Hundred and Fifty Dollars~~
~~for a Lodge of Perfection, a Chapter of Rose Croix, or a Consistory~~
~~Dispensation for a new body Fifty Dollars~~
~~Registration Ten Dollars~~
~~(including a certificate) for every initiate and affiliate of each constituent body~~
~~Annual Dues for each member Five Dollars~~
~~from each constituent body - as of June 1 of each year (Effective 6/01/2016)~~
~~Annual Dues for each member Five Dollars and Fifty Cents~~
~~from each constituent body - as of June 1 of each year (Effective 6/01/2017)~~
~~Annual Dues for each member Six Dollars~~
~~from each constituent body - as of June 1 of each year (Effective 6/01/2018)~~

~~Replacement Certificate Ten Dollars~~
~~25-Year Service Lapel Pin Ten Dollars~~

ART. 41. (b) The fees and dues to be charged shall be those determined by Supreme Council from time to time, on the recommendation of the Grand Treasurer-General.

ART. 47.2 ~~A ruling of the Sovereign Grand Commander, adopted by this Supreme Council, shall continue to have full force and effect until repealed or amended by this Supreme Council and the Statutes shall be automatically amended accordingly; but any other ruling of the Sovereign Grand Commander shall not constitute a precedent and shall have effect only until the next Annual Session of this Supreme Council. (1997)~~

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ART. 61. ~~(a) The Grand Secretary-General shall, without charge, furnish each constituent body with two copies of the Statutes and Regulations revised and/or reprinted under the authority of this Supreme Council. Any additional copies of the Statutes and Regulations shall be furnished at a cost to be set by the Grand Secretary-General. (1997)~~

ART. 61. (a) The Grand Secretary-General shall, under the authority of this Supreme Council and without charge, furnish each constituent body with a copy of the Statutes and Regulations revised and/or reproduced in either a printed or electronic form as Supreme Council determines.

ART. 62. ~~(b) A member may at the same time hold more than one of the offices of Grand Secretary, Registrar, Grand Treasurer, Treasurer, Grand Prelate, Prelate, Grand Chaplain, Grand Almoner, Almoner, Grand Tyler, Grand Sentinel, Grand Organist, and Guard. (1988)~~

ART. 62. (b) A member may at the same time hold more than one of the offices of Grand Secretary, Assistant Grand Secretary, Registrar, Assistant Registrar, Grand Treasurer, Treasurer, Grand Prelate, Prelate, Grand Chaplain, Grand Almoner, Almoner, Grand Tyler, Grand Sentinel, Grand Organist, Guard and Grand Historian.

ART. 63. ~~(a) All elective officers shall be elected by ballot, with or without nominations as provided in By-laws of the body. Appointive officers shall be named by the presiding officer-elect and shall be installed with the elected officers and shall continue in office until the election or appointment and installation of their successors. An elected officer cannot be installed by proxy. An officer-elect, not present at the installation, may be installed thereafter as the presiding officer may direct.~~

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TRUSTEES AND AUDITORS / FINANCIAL REVIEWERS

ART. 64. ~~(a) Each constituent body shall, at each election of officers, elect or appoint one or more trustees and one or more auditors.~~

ART. 64. (a) Each constituent body shall, at the election of officers, elect or appoint a minimum of two trustees; and a minimum of two financial reviewers if a full audit of Valley finances is not conducted by a professional auditor.

ART. 66. (a) All rituals of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite used in this jurisdiction shall be issued as approved and authorized for use by this Supreme Council. The office of the Grand Secretary-General is solely responsible for the production and distribution of all such rituals within this jurisdiction.

ART. 66. (b) All rituals are the property of this Supreme Council and shall be returned and/or delivered to the Grand Secretary, Registrar or Grand Secretary/Registrar by an Officer or Member of the constituent body at the demand of the Grand Secretary, Registrar or Grand Secretary/Registrar. (2008) Rituals will be distributed by the Grand Secretary-General in either printed or electronic format as Supreme Council determines. The default position is distribution in non-alterable electronic format by posting on a secure website and/or by other electronic means.

ART. 66. (c) The Grand Secretary, Registrar or Grand Secretary/Registrar of each constituent body, shall be the custodian of all rituals of the A&ASR sent to that body by the office of the Grand Secretary-General. The Grand Secretary, Registrar or Grand Secretary/Registrar shall distribute, or otherwise make available, authorized copies of the rituals as required to (i) the Officers of the constituent body, (ii) such other Members as may be assisting in degrees, and (iii) for a fee to be set by him, such other Members who may request same who have received the degree for which a ritual is requested. The Grand Secretary, Registrar or Grand Secretary/Registrar shall instruct each recipient of a copy of a ritual that such ritual should be treated in a confidential manner and is to be returned to the constituent body or destroyed when no longer required or on the demand of the Grand Secretary/Registrar. (2008)

ART. 69. ~~(b) The Grand Secretary/Registrar shall send copies of every notice to the Sovereign Grand Commander, the Lieutenant Grand Commander, the Deputy for the Province or Territory, the Grand Secretary-General, all members of the Committee on the General State of the Rite, and all members of the Special Committee on Valley Publications. (2003)~~
ART. 69. (b) The Grand Secretary/Registrar shall send copies of every notice to the Grand Secretary-General for distribution as directed by the Sovereign Grand Commander.

ART. 71. (d) In addition to the forfeiture of Letters Patent of Constitution, the Sovereign Grand Commander may, at any time a Valley is in default, impose such other consequences as he deems necessary in the circumstances.

ART. 90. ~~(a) The fees for conferring degrees to be charged by all bodies shall be not less than the following: (1977)~~

~~4° to 14° inclusive - $75.00~~
~~15° to 18° inclusive - $50.00~~
~~19° to 32° inclusive - $75.00~~

ART. 90. (a) The fees for conferring degrees to be charged by all bodies shall be sufficient to safeguard their financial integrity.

ART. 90. ~~(b) A constituent body may elect to membership, without admission fee, a Master Mason or a member of the highest degree in the immediate preceding body to act as Tyler, Guard, or Sentinel or to perform any other designated duty in such constituent body, but only with the approval of the Deputy for that body. (2000)~~
ART. 90. (b) Delete

ART. 94. (d) The Grand Secretary or Registrar of the body shall send to the Deputy for the Province or Territory for his recommendation: (1995)

i. ~~three copies of Certificate for Enacting or Amending the By-laws of Constituent Bodies in approved form as supplied by the Grand Secretary-General, signed by the presiding officer and Grand Secretary or Registrar.~~

i three copies, if sent by regular post or one copy if sent by electronic means, of the Certificate for Enacting or Amending the By-laws of Constituent Bodies in approved form as supplied by the Grand Secretary-General.

ART. 94. ~~(e) The Deputy for the Province or Territory shall submit the By-laws referred to in ART. 94. (d) ii, and the Certificate referred to in ART. 94.(d) i, with his recommendation endorsed on all three copies of the Certificate through the Grand Secretary-General to the Sovereign Grand Commander for approval. (1995)~~

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Secondary Review

ART. 97. (f) If the presiding officer, Deputy and appointee, or a majority of them, conclude that there are reasonable grounds to believe that an offence has been committed by the subject of the complaint, a report to that effect, together with all evidence relevant to the issue, shall be submitted to Supreme Council. The report and evidence shall be reviewed by the Chairman of Jurisprudence and Legislation and/or his designate and the Grand Chancellor in consultation with other members of Supreme Council if deemed desirable, and a decision made whether or not to proceed with the disciplinary process. If the decision to proceed is made, the Grand Chancellor will cause to be prepared the formal charge or charges that will be the subject of disciplinary process and appoint either a Sovereign Grand Inspector-General or an Honorary Inspector-General, not previously involved in the matter, to act as prosecutor.

ART. 99. ~~(b) This Supreme Council shall have the power at any time to reprimand, suspend, or expel or accept the resignation of any member of this Supreme Council or of any member of any constituent body and may from time to time by resolution, prescribe rules, regulations, and forms of procedure for the trial of its own members. In the event of a resignation from this Supreme Council, the Grand Secretary-General is authorized to accept such resignation on behalf of this Supreme Council. (1984)~~

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ART. 99. (c) Upon the expulsion, suspension, demit or resignation during a disciplinary process of a Sovereign Grand Inspector-General or of an Honorary Inspector-General, or when otherwise ordered by Supreme Council, he shall cease to be a member of this Supreme Council and of any Lodge, Chapter or Consistory under the jurisdiction of this Supreme Council, and cease to hold the rank and title of Sovereign Grand Inspector-General or Honorary Inspector-General as the case may be, and he shall return forthwith all membership certificates and cards

in his possession issued to him by Supreme Council or any constituent body thereof to the Grand Secretary-General. (2014) Any demit or resignation during a disciplinary process will be flagged as such and all records related to that process will be retained by Supreme Council.

REG. 8.4 ~~(d) The Deputy will consider all the recommendations obtained from the various Recommendation Committees under his jurisdiction, along with his own nominations, and, in consultation with the Sovereign Grand Inspectors-General in that province or territory, make the final nominating list for his Province following the guidelines regarding numbers and formula determined by Supreme Council. The Deputy's final nomination list will consist of the Recommendation and Nomination Form(s) signed in the appropriate area and will be forwarded to the Office of the Grand Secretary-General, to be received on or before the first day of August preceding the Annual Session, and shall be referred forthwith by the Grand Secretary-General to the Chairman of the Committee on Membership Nominations.~~

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REGULATION GOVERNING THE DISCIPLINE OF SUPREME COUNCIL MEMBERS

This regulation prescribes the rules and procedures governing the discipline of members of this Supreme Council.

COMPLAINT

11.1 The provisions of Article 97 (a), (b) and (c) apply equally to members of this Supreme Council. A member of this Supreme Council alleged to have committed a violation of any of the offences listed in Article 97 (b) or (c) will be the subject of inquiry by and possible discipline of this Supreme Council if a member of the Scottish Rite makes a written complaint setting out the alleged offence committed and the evidence supporting it.

11.2 The written complaint and alleged supporting evidence must be submitted to the Office of the Grand Secretary-General or, where the Grand Secretary-General is the subject of the complaint, to the Sovereign Grand Commander.

PRELIMINARY REVIEW

11.3 A review of the complaint and supporting evidence shall be conducted by three Deputies selected by the Sovereign Grand Commander or, where the Sovereign Grand Commander is the subject of the complaint, by the Lieutenant Grand Commander or the Grand Chancellor as the Lieutenant Grand Commander directs. The review committee has the same authority and responsibility as that set out in Article 97 (e). Those provisions regarding the distribution of material apply equally to the process prescribed in this regulation.

SECONDARY REVIEW

11.4 If the preliminary review determines that there are reasonable grounds to conclude that an offence has been committed by the subject of the complaint, the written complaint and all evidentiary material related to it and any further evidence, if any, disclosed during the preliminary review shall be delivered to Supreme Council by providing it either to the Grand Secretary-General or the Sovereign Grand Commander where the Grand Secretary-

General is the subject of the complaint. All material is to be forwarded forthwith to the Grand Chancellor and the Chairman of the Jurisprudence and Legislation Committee who will review it and the findings of the preliminary review, with or without consultation with other members of Supreme Council, and determine whether or not to continue with a disciplinary process. In the event that either the Chairman or the Grand Chancellor is the subject of the complaint the Sovereign Grand Commander shall appoint an alternative Sovereign Grand Inspector-General to this secondary review process.

If a decision to proceed is made, the Grand Chancellor shall appoint a Sovereign Grand Inspector-General to act as prosecutor, unless the Grand Chancellor is the subject of the complaint in which case the Sovereign Grand Commander shall appoint the prosecutor.

Discipline Process, Representation, Material Package, Timeline for Plea Consideration, the Committee of Inquiry into an Admission of Guilt and the Alternative to the Process

11.5 The provisions of Article 97 (g) i through iv and vi apply to this process. Article 97 (g) v applies with the proviso that if the Lieutenant Grand Commander is the subject of the proceedings, his duties shall be delegated to another Sovereign Grand Inspector-General selected by the Sovereign Grand Commander. None of the members of the Committee of Inquiry shall have had prior involvement in the process.

TRIAL COMMISSION – PLEAS OF NOT GUILTY

11.6 Article 97 (g) vii applies to this stage of the process with the proviso that if the Sovereign Grand Commander is the subject of the proceedings, the Grand Chancellor will appoint the Trial Commission.

TRIAL PROCESS

11.7 The trial process for members of Supreme Council shall be consistent with that set out in Article 97 (g) viii, ix and x. Article 97 (g) xi applies with the proviso that if it is determined that a written reprimand is the penalty to be imposed, it will be read at the next Annual Session and, if the complaint originated in a constituent body of the Scottish Rite, at the next regular meeting of that constituent body. Further, in addition to the penalties set forth in Article 97 (g) xi, a member of Supreme Council found to have committed an offence shall lose his membership in Supreme Council, subject to a review at the option of the Sovereign Grand Commander or, if he is the subject of proceedings, to the Grand Chancellor. In the event that a re-instatement to membership in Supreme Council is recommended it must be affirmed by a two thirds vote of Sovereign Grand Inspectors-General present at the Annual Session immediately following the date of the recommendation, provided that the number of Sovereign Grand Inspectors-General present constitutes a majority of all Sovereign Grand Inspectors-General.

APPEAL PROCESS

11.8 The provisions of Article 97 (g) xii apply to the discipline of members of Supreme Council. Article 97 (g) xiii also applies with the proviso that if either the Grand Secretary-General or the Sovereign Grand Commander were the subject of the proceedings, their role would be performed by the Grand Chancellor. Likewise, the provisions of Article 97 (g) xiv and xv apply with the proviso that if the Grand Secretary-General is the subject of the proceedings, the Grand Chancellor is to perform those duties. The Grand Chancellor, together with the Chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence and Legislation and a Sovereign Grand Inspector-General selected by them, would also perform the duties of the Sovereign Grand Commander pursuant to Article 97 (g) xvi should the latter be the subject of the proceedings.

DECISION TO EXPEL A SOVEREIGN GRAND COMMANDER

11.9 In the event that a decision is taken to expel a Sovereign Grand Commander, the Sovereign Grand Commander is to be treated as suspended from office until the decision to

expel is either overturned or confirmed by a three fourths majority of all Sovereign Grand Inspectors-General voting in a special session called by the Lieutenant Grand Commander pursuant to his authority under Article 24, provided that a majority of all Sovereign Grand Inspectors-General are present. This meeting must be called within 45 days of the date the decision to expel was received in the Office of the Grand Secretary-General. The meeting can be conducted by teleconference. Any meeting dealing with this subject must be recorded, minutes produced and a report made to the next Annual Session of Supreme Council.

PUNISHMENT AND RE-INSTATEMENT

11.10 In all cases where punishment is imposed, the Office of the Grand Secretary-General will communicate the details of that punishment to the Office of the Grand Secretary/Registrar of the Valley in which the offender's membership was maintained.
An offender to be reprimanded shall have that reprimand read aloud to him at the next regular meeting of the constituent body with the most direct interest in the complaint made against him. Minutes of that meeting, including confirmation that the reprimand was read, will be forwarded to the Office of the Grand Secretary-General forthwith after the meeting. However, if the offence was found to relate to conduct occurring solely within the auspices of Supreme Council it shall be read at the next Annual Session of Supreme Council and published in the Proceedings. In that case the Grand Secretary-General will notify the Grand Secretary/Registrar of the details of the punishment pending publication and distribution of the Proceedings

11.11 An offender who has been punished by a suspension from membership in the Scottish Rite for a definite period shall be entitled to resume his privileges as a general member of the Scottish Rite, and in the Valley of which he was a member at the time of his suspension, with no accumulation of dues during the period of his suspension. The Grand Secretary/Registrar shall notify the Grand Secretary-General of the offender's resumption of his membership immediately following that resumption.

11.12 Article 97 (g) xix applies to those members of Supreme Council punished by an indefinite suspension or expulsion from membership in the Scottish Rite.

11.13 Article 97 (h), (j) and (k) apply to members of Supreme Council with the proviso that where the Sovereign Grand Commander is the subject of the complaint, the Lieutenant Grand Commander shall appoint a Sovereign Grand Inspector-General to act as the subject's representative during the trial process in the circumstances addressed in Article 97 (h) (i).

On review, your Committee finds the proposed amendments to be regular

Section II

ART. 47.1 (c) Supreme Council may opt to amend any provision in the Statutes and Regulations on a temporary or trial basis by an affirmative vote of three-fourths of the Active Members, if there is compliance with all other provisions relating to amendments set out in this Article and the trial period is time limited to five years or less, at which point the amendment lapses unless a permanent amendment is approved, following the procedure set out in the Statutes and Regulations in force at the time. Supreme Council has the option to convert a temporary amendment to a permanent one at any time during the trial period specified when that amendment was approved.

On review, your Committee finds this amendment to be regular.

Section III

ART. 5. ~~(c) Sessions of the Executive shall be held at such time and place as the Sovereign Grand Commander shall determine and, although not open ceremonially, any such Session held immediately prior to or during a Session of this Supreme Council shall, for the transaction of business, be deemed to be part of the Supreme Council Session.~~

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On review, your Committee finds the proposed amendment to be regular.

Section IV

ART. 5. ~~(a) This Supreme Council shall meet annually in the month of September on such days as it may fix and at such place in Canada as it shall determine, except that, in special circumstances, the Sovereign Grand Commander shall have authority to summon this Supreme Council to meet in Annual Session at such other time and place in Canada as he may designate. (1980)~~

ART. 5. (a) The term Annual Session includes both a Full Annual Session at which all members of Supreme Council are entitled to attend, and an Executive Annual Session at which all Sovereign Grand Inspectors General are entitled to participate. These Annual Sessions shall alternate with a Full Annual Session occurring in even numbered years and only an Executive Annual Session occurring in odd numbered years. This Supreme Council shall meet annually, in either Full or Executive Annual Session, in the month of September on such days as it may fix and at such place in Canada as it shall determine, except that, in special circumstances, the Sovereign Grand Commander shall have authority to summon this Supreme Council to meet either in Full Annual Session or in Executive Annual Session at such other time and place in Canada as he may designate.

ART. 7. ~~(d) The Chairman of the Committee on Membership Nominations shall report on all such nominations on the day of the opening of the Executive Sessions preceding the Annual Session. The election shall be held in Executive Session on any subsequent day of the Annual Session. The vote shall be viva voce and one negative vote shall reject a nominee. A motion to have a collective ballot may be entertained. (1997)~~

ART. 7. (d) The Chairman of the Committee on Membership Nominations shall report on all such nominations on the day of the opening of the Executive Sessions preceding the Full Annual Session in years in which a Full Annual Session is to be held and otherwise on the day of the opening of the Executive Annual Session. The election shall be held in Executive Session on any subsequent day of the Annual Session. The vote shall be viva voce and one negative vote shall reject a nominee. A motion to have a collective ballot may be entertained.

ART. 11. ~~(a) An Honorary Inspector-General shall have the right to be present at all General Sessions of this Supreme Council, (with the exception of Executive Sessions), and to a voice therein but without a right to vote therein.~~

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ART. 17. ~~(a) The Degree of Honorary Inspector-General shall be conferred upon a candidate only at the Annual Session of this Supreme Council next succeeding his election; and his election shall lapse at the end of the said next Annual Session, unless the time be extended by unanimous vote at that Session.~~

ART. 17. (a) The Degree of Honorary Inspector-General shall be conferred upon a candidate only at a Full Annual Session of this Supreme Council next succeeding his election; and his election shall lapse at the end of the said next Full Annual Session, unless the time be extended by unanimous vote at that Session.

ART. 17. ~~(b) The Degree of Honorary Inspector-General shall be conferred on the day of the ceremonial opening of an Annual Session unless otherwise ordered by the Sovereign Grand Commander. (1997)~~
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ART. 17. (d) Those candidates confirmed for conferral of the degree in the year preceding an Executive Annual Session shall be entitled to conferral of the degree at the next Full Annual Session of Supreme Council, in temporal priority to those elected in the year prior to that Full Annual Session.

ART. 20. ~~(c) Except in the case of Special Deputies commissioned for special purposes, officers shall be elected by ballot from the Active Members triennially at the Annual Session by a two-thirds vote of the members present, after receiving the report of the nominating committee and the receiving of other nominations, if any, from the members present, providing however, that where the report of the Nominating Committee for any or all of the respective offices is adopted unanimously and no other nomination for the office is received, the Sovereign Grand Commander or the presiding officer may declare the person nominated to be duly elected to the office without any other vote. (1973)~~
ART. 20. (c) Except in the case of Special Deputies commissioned for special purposes, officers shall be elected by ballot from the Active Members every four years at the applicable Full Annual Session by a two-thirds vote of the members present, after receiving the report of the nominating committee and the receiving of other nominations, if any, from the members present, providing however, that where the report of the Nominating Committee for any or all of the respective offices is adopted unanimously and no other nomination for the office is received, the Sovereign Grand Commander or the presiding officer may declare the person nominated to be duly elected to the office without any other vote. (1973)

ART. 20. ~~(e) A Sovereign Grand Commander elected at a triennial Annual Session shall be ineligible for re-election to that office at the next ensuing triennial election.~~
ART. 20. (e) A Sovereign Grand Commander elected at a Full Annual Session commencing the first year of a four year term of office shall be ineligible for re-election to that office in the final year of the four year term of office.

On review, your Committee finds the proposed amendments to be regular.

Section V

10.4 ~~If the Life Membership Trust Fund equals or exceeds the amount of the evaluation calculated in 10.3, the current constituent body dues of the existing life members will be paid to the constituent body's general funds. (2005)~~
10.4 If the Life Membership Trust Fund assets equal or exceed the liability amount of the evaluation calculated in 10.3, there is no requirement for oversight by Supreme Council.

10.5 ~~If the Life Membership Trust fund is less than the amount of the evaluation calculated in 10.3, the investment earnings earned by the Fund in the prior fiscal year, up to the amount of the current constituent body dues only, shall be paid or transferred to the constituent body's general funds. (2005)~~
10.5 If the Life Membership Trust Fund assets are less than the amount of the evaluation calculated in 10.3, Supreme Council, through the Standing Committee of Audit and Finance, will

conduct a review to determine whether any further action is necessary by Supreme Council to protect the interests of the Life Members who paid commuted dues. The Valley will be asked to submit a proposal demonstrating the level of risk to Life Members from the Valley's proposed actions. Supreme Council will then render its decision.

10.6 ~~If due to aging or decreased number of life members, after an evaluation of the Life Membership Trust Fund using the factors in regulation 10.1, there is a surplus in the Life Membership Trust Fund, then the excess of the investment earnings over the constituent body dues, plus up to 5% of the Capital portion of the fund, as identified in 10.2, up to the evaluation surplus, may be withdrawn to the general or other funds of the constituent body. Before making such withdrawal, the constituent body must request approval from the Chairman of the Standing Committee on Audit and Finance, forwarding with the request the evaluation which indicated that there was an excess and the calculations of the amount being withdrawn. (2005)~~

10.6 If due to aging or decreased number of life members, after an evaluation of the Life Membership Trust Fund actuarial liability using the factors in regulation 10.1, there is a surplus of assets in the Life Membership Trust Fund, then the excess liability may be transferred to General or other funds of the Valley's Constituent Body. Before making such transfer, the Constituent Body must request approval from the Chairman of the Standing Committee on Audit and Finance, forwarding with the request the evaluation which indicated that there was an excess of assets and the calculations of the amount of the liability proposed to be transferred.

On review, your Committee finds the proposed amendments to be regular.

PART II

This portion of the Report will be included following the review of the Allocution of the Sovereign Grand Commander.

PART III

This portion of the Report will be included in the event that any amendments are proposed at the Annual Session and which meet the requirements as set out in ART. 47.1 (b).

Your Committee thanks the Grand Secretary-General, Ill. Bro. Robert D. Brethour, 33°, Executive Secretary, Ill. Bro. Steven E. Warren, 33°, Administrative Secretary, Ms. Leslie Drake for their support and assistance throughout the year.

I also wish to thank those brethren who contributed to the assigned general review of the Statutes and Regulations in the persons of Ill. Bro. Terry A. McLean, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill. Bro. Robert S. Whitmore, 33°, Lieutenant Grand Commander and Ill. Bro. Donald D. Thornton, 33°, as well as members of the Committee who contributed much to a significant collective endeavour and the general work of the Committee.

All of which is submitted respectfully,
Brian W. Gilkinson, 33°, Chairman
Robert G. Wands, 33°
Gordon L. Greasley, 33°
Jeffrey R. Dickson, 33°

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Brian Gilkinson, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° for the acceptance of this Report.

SGC: You have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? Hearing none, I will call for the vote for the acceptance of the report: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

And now we will deal with the amendments.

Amendment 1
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Rob Whitmore, 33° and Bob Brethour, 33°, the amendment to Article 5 (c), which is set out in page 56 of the Preliminary Proceedings, and the amended Article is such as would provide for the electronic or meeting by teleconference.

SGC: You have heard the amendment properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions on Amendment 1, Article 5 (c)? Hearing none, I will call for the vote.

Now, the vote on this requires, to pass, three-quarters of the vote of the Active Members present and voting, so I'm going to ask for a show of hands. Keep your hands up in the air while our Grand Secretary-General does the tally.

All in favour? Opposed? Any abstentions?

We have enough to pass. The vote, then, is CARRIED.

Amendment 2
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Rob Whitmore, 33° and Bob Brethour, 33°, that the amendment to Article 47.1 (c) be made, and this is also found on page 56 of the preliminary hearings. This is the amendment would enable amendments to the Statutes and Regulations to be made on a temporary or trial basis.

SGC: You have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions around the amendment to Article 47.1 (c)? Hearing none, I will call for the vote, and would you please keep your hands up.

All in favour? Opposed? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Amendment 3
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Rob Whitmore, 33° and Bob Brethour, 33°, that Article 5 (a) be amended as is set out at page 57 of the Statutes and Regulations. This is the amendment that specifically would deal with the alternating schedule of full Sessions and Executive Sessions.

SGC: You have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Are there any questions or discussions? Hearing none, I will call for the vote. Please leave your hands high.

All in favour? Opposed? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Amendment 4
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Rob Whitmore, 33° and Bob Brethour, 33°, amendment to Article 7 as set out at page 57 that deals with the election of Active Members.

SGC: You have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions?

IPSGC Brown: Sovereign Grand Commander, I would like to propose an amendment to that dealing with Article 7 in the fifth line, which starts: Any subsequent day of an Annual Session. I would move, seconded by Ill. Bro. Matt Todd, that we delete the word 'subsequent', so it would read: The election shall be held in Executive Session on any day of the Annual Session, rather than a subsequent day of the Annual Session.

SGC: Okay. We will deal with that amendment, then. It is properly moved and seconded. Any questions or discussions?

IPSGC Brown: Just as a matter of clarification, Sovereign Grand Commander, in anticipation of an electronic meeting, a subsequent day doesn't make much sense. So that's the reason for suggesting that the word be deleted.

SGC: Thank you. I will call for the vote, then: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Ill. Bro. Farr: Sovereign Grand Commander, I rise on a point of order. We just voted on an amendment to Article 7. Do we not need to vote on the original amendment?

IPSGC Brown: The motion as amended I believe requires a vote, as well. We voted on my amendment to delete the word, but we did not vote on the amended Article 7.

SGC: Okay, then. So we are calling now for the vote on Article 7, as amended. All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Amendment 5
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Rob Whitmore, 33° and Bob Brethour, 33°, the amendment to Article 11 (a) as is set out at page 57 of the preliminary proceedings, which again clarifies that the Honorary Inspectors-General have the right to be present at the General Sessions conducted at a Full Annual Session.

SGC: You have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. This is regarding Article 11 (a). Any questions or discussions? I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Amendment 6
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Rob Whitmore, 33° and Bob Brethour, 33°, that Article 17 (a) be amended as set out at page 57 of the Preliminary Proceedings. The effect of this amendment is that the conferral of the degree would only take place at the full Annual Sessions, following the election of a candidate for Honorary Inspectors-General.

SGC: You have heard that motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? Then I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Amendment 7
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Rob Whitmore, 33° and Bob Brethour, 33°, an amendment to Article 17 (b). The amendment of which is set out at page 58 of the Preliminary Proceedings. This provides that the Degree of Honorary Inspector-General would be conferred on the day of the ceremonial opening of a full Annual Session, unless otherwise ordered by the Sovereign Grand Commander.

SGC: You have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Amendment 8
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Rob Whitmore, 33° and Bob Brethour, 33°, an amendment to Article 17, which is to add to Article 17 subsection (d), the wording of which is set out on page 58 of the Preliminary Proceedings. The essence of this is that candidates who are confirmed for the conferral of the Degree will be entitled to the conferral of the Degree at the following full Annual Session.

SGC: You have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions?

Ill. Bro. Dickson: Sovereign Grand Commander, through you to the Committee chair: I know there have been a couple of situations in the past where there have been nominations for HIG and, due to health reasons, that individual has not been able to participate, so there has been a conferral of a degree prior to the Session to accommodate that individual, who then subsequently passed prior to the Session.

This may exacerbate that situation, leave it with a two year. I just wondered if there was any consideration given to that. I realize we can't change that, but probably accommodations can be made similar to those that have been made in the past. That one instance was in our Valley.

LGC: It was taken into consideration and that may be an unfortunate side effect with the conferral of the degree only taking place every other year.

Ill. Bro. Dickson: Thank you.

SGC: You have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? Call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Amendment 9
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Rob Whitmore, 33° and Bob Brethour, 33°, the amendments to Article 20 (c) as are set out on page 58 of the Preliminary Proceedings. This amendment is to reflect the change from a triennial term to a term of four years.

SGC: Brethren, you have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussion? I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Amendment 10
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Rob Whitmore, 33° and Bob Brethour, 33°, the amendment to Article 20 (e), which again is an amendment simply reflecting the change from a triennial term to a term of four years. This particularly would have the effect that after four years the Sovereign Grand Commander cannot do it again.

SGC: Oh, that's a load off my mind. You have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

LGC: We are now moving on to the Omnibus Package.

SGC: The omnibus package. I'll call on Ill. Bro. Brian Gilkinson.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: Brethren, if I can direct your attention to page 47 of the Report on Jurisprudence and Legislation, I'm going to ask for a little bit of direction here.

On two occasions messages went out from the Supreme Council Office to all Actives and Past Actives asking if anyone had any concerns with respect to any of the amendments in the updating, housekeeping omnibus package, would you please let your concerns be known prior to the Session, because it's going to take some time to go through them.

I know that there is only one individual who did come forward and made a very astute observation that hopefully will be dealt with in due course.

But I don't know if you can have a collective ballot, Sovereign Grand Commander, with respect to a package of amendments. Deputy Piercey asked me that, or suggested that, but what I will

do is, I will just start rhyming these off and you have your omnibus amendment sheet, in a nutshell, with you.

I can start going through. Article 5 (d) is basically just changing the notice of time and place of Annual Session to deal with new technologies.

Omnibus Package Amendment 1
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Brian Gilkinson, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° that that amendment to Article 5 (d) be approved.

SGC: You heard the amendment proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: You may recall, brethren, that Article 13 dealing with the formula was held in abeyance for one year until we could take a closer look at it. It serves no useful purpose and I'm calling for an approval of that amendment simply to delete Article 13 from the Statutes and Regulations.

Omnibus Package Amendment 2
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Brian Gilkinson, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° that that amendment to Article 13 be approved.

SGC: You have heard that motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? I will call for the vote? All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: Article 14 eliminates the reference to entitlement, but retains the ability of Supreme Council to create Honorary Inspectors-General without prior recommendation. So it retains that which is apparently useful and deletes that section that is outdated.

Omnibus Package Amendment 3
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Brian Gilkinson, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° that that amendment to Article 14 be approved.

SGC: You have heard that motion proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: Article 22 (u) deals with the power of the Sovereign Grand Commander, and actually the ability to review the power of Supreme Council to review any action taken by the Sovereign Grand Commander during the course of the year leading up to a Session. It simply indicates a formula for dealing with actions by the Sovereign Grand Commander that would allow Supreme Council to either appeal that successfully or to confirm that action. So that just allows and specifies a formula or process that, quite frankly, did not exist and should have.

Omnibus Package Amendment 3
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Brian Gilkinson, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° that that amendment to Article 22 (u) be approved.

SGC: You have heard the amendment properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: Article 25 basically is a catch-up matter to address and harmonize the power of the Grand Chancellor General as specified in Article 25 and harmonize it with the disciplinary sections of Members of Supreme Council that are proposed in other amendments and, as well, Section 97, which presently exists as our discipline article.

So it's just a housekeeping matter to basically incorporate the Grand Chancellor's powers into the ordinary disciplinary process that has already been approved and will be approved, hopefully, with respect to discipline of Members of this Council.

Omnibus Package Amendment 4
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Brian Gilkinson, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° that that amendment to Article 25 be approved.

SGC: You have heard that amendment proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: Article 26 (d) just enacts the reality of the fact that Deputies are required to submit their annual report to Supreme Council by June the 1st, rather than July the 1st as is presently provided in that section. So that's just a housekeeping matter to basically specify the reality that presently exists and make that due date June the 1st. That allows the Chairman of the Committee on the General State of the Rite to deal with his own report in a timely fashion.

Omnibus Package Amendment 5
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Brian Gilkinson, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° that that amendment to Article 26 (d) be approved.

SGC: You have heard that amendment proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: Article 26 (e) is essentially the same thing, only it's a matter facilitating some education and enlightenment. The present Article 26 (e) deals with dispensations granted and the reasons being available.

This is an amendment to basically indicate we need the reasons for either granting a dispensation or refusing it, so that everyone, including Valleys, realize maybe why some dispensation applications are refused.

So that's just to increase the information available and flowing to the Valleys when they are considering making application through their Deputy for dispensation. It should make the Deputy's job easier, it should make Supreme Council's job easier.

Omnibus Package Amendment 6
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Brian Gilkinson, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° that that amendment to Article 26 (e) be approved.

SGC: You have heard the amendment proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: Article 35 (a) just enacts present modern wording with respect to liability and the duties of trustees. It replaces old, outmoded language. It's just a housekeeping matter.

Omnibus Package Amendment 7
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Brian Gilkinson, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° that that amendment to Article 35 (a) be approved.

SGC: You have heard the amendment proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: Article 37 (c) is designed to reflect current reality, that the Sovereign Grand Commander is in the best position to fix remuneration of the Executive Secretary from time to time, but in consultation with the Advisory Council of the Supreme Council so those kinds of administrative, human resources decisions can be made in a more timely fashion than theoretically bringing them back before this Body on an annual basis.

Omnibus Package Amendment 8
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Brian Gilkinson, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° that that amendment to Article 37 (c) be approved.

SGC: You have heard the motion proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: Article 38 (a) deals with liability insurance, non-performance bonds that reflects modern situations and it's just a matter of housekeeping. It certainly maintains Supreme Council's ability to stipulate the manner in which the costs of the coverage will be defrayed and modify the terms and conditions of it.

Omnibus Package Amendment 9
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Brian Gilkinson, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° that that amendment to Article 38 (a) be approved.

SGC: You have heard that motion proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: Article 40 (a) is, again, one of these amendments to reflect reality. The Committee does not prepare the budget, hasn't for a number of years, so we are suggesting an amendment to .5 to review the budget for the upcoming fiscal year as prepared by the Grand Treasurer General, and a new .6 would basically impose a duty to report the reasons for any excess in a budgeted amount to Supreme Council at the next Annual Session.

So it just tightens up a little bit of financial oversight and allows this Body to be better informed with respect to expenses in excess of the budget, without having to ask for it. It should be part of the report.

Omnibus Package Amendment 10
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Brian Gilkinson, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° that that amendment to Article 40 (a) be approved.

SGC: You have heard that motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: Article 40 (d) deals with the duty on Jurisprudence and Legislation to report on rulings and recommendations found in the Sovereign Grand Commander's allocution. It was his duty to submit it to the Jurisprudence and Legislation Committee, but it was not part and parcel of the duties set out in 40 (d). So that's just an amendment to accord with reality.

Omnibus Package Amendment 11
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Brian Gilkinson, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° that that amendment to Article 40 (d) be approved.

SGC: You have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: The amendment under 41 (b) is designed to get rid of fossilized fees for certain fees and dues that are charged. We are simply giving Supreme Council the flexibility, if it wishes to impose a fee for a particular item, to do so on a case-by-case basis.

Omnibus Package Amendment 12
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Brian Gilkinson, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° that that amendment to Article 41 (b) be approved.

SGC: You have heard that motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: The proposed amendment to Article 47.2 deals with a possible situation of a ruling of a Sovereign Grand Commander that inadvertently obtains the status of an amendment to the Statutes and Regulations. Part of it was designed to prevent some of the things that were happening at other Masonic bodies south of the border, and this provides a clear criteria between a ruling that would have the effect of amending the Statutes and Regulations and one that would not. It would require the explicit attention of this Body to gain that status.

Omnibus Package Amendment 13
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Brian Gilkinson, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° that that amendment to Article 47.2 be approved.

SGC: You have heard that amendment proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions?

Ill. Bro. Taylor: Sovereign Grand Commander, through you to Ill. Bro. Gilkinson, it says: next Annual Session, and we have just moved to have Executive Sessions and full Annual Sessions. Which one would this apply to?

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: This would apply to either one. The definition of Annual Session includes both.

Ill. Bro. Taylor: Does it? Okay.

SGC: Thank you. You have heard the motion proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? Hearing none: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: Article 61 (a) just allows the Grand Secretary General the explicit ability to default to an electronic means of distribution of copies of the Statutes and Regulations, so that will get them out quicker and that will make them more current, as well.

Omnibus Package Amendment 14
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Brian Gilkinson, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° that that amendment to Article 61 (a) be approved.

SGC: You have heard the motion proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: Article 62 (b) expands the number of multiple offices that could be held by any one individual.

Omnibus Package Amendment 15
ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Brian Gilkinson, 33° and Chesley Piercey, 33° that that amendment to Article 62 (b) be approved.

LGC: Sovereign Grand Commander, I would like to propose an amendment, seconded by Allard Loopstra. It has been pointed out that as currently worded would permit one brother to hold the offices of both Grand Secretary and also Grand Treasurer, and in situations that could create a conflict of interest where one Member both writes the cheques and signs the cheques.

So the amendment that is proposed would add the following to 62 (b). So it would begin after the word Grand Historian, we would add:

> One: With the proviso that no member may hold, one, the positions of Grand Secretary or Assistant Grand Secretary and that of Grand Treasurer in a Lodge of Perfection;
>
> Two: The positions of Grand Registrar or Assistant Grand Registrar and that of Treasurer in a Chapter of Rose Croix;
>
> Three: The positions of Grand Secretary or Assistant Grand Secretary and that of Grand Treasurer in a Consistory;
>
> Four: Or any other multiple offices that would result in a conflict of interest, in the opinion of the Sovereign Grand Commander.

SGC: So you have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? Now, we're voting on the amendment, 62 (b).

I call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Now we will vote on 62 (b). All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

I think we will just stop it right now.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: Alright. If I could just indicate my thanks to Ill. Bro. Lepp for bringing that potential modification to our attention.

SGC: Yes, absolutely. We are going to go into our rehearsal now. Go ahead, Grand Secretary General. You have some announcements.

GSG: I do have some announcements, Sovereign Grand Commander. The 33rd Degree rehearsal will take place immediately. All Actives and Past Actives are to attend the start of the rehearsal for the procession and seating assignments. Those who do not have a part in the actual Degree may retire when this is complete.

Our Grand Marshall, Jeff Dickson, will line everyone up. The rehearsal will start immediately following this meeting, and the rehearsal will be under the direction of Steve Warren.

Our reception dinner this evening for the Actives, Past Actives, ladies and guests will be in Maisonneuve A, six o'clock reception, six-thirty dinner. The attire is business suit.

Guests joining us this evening are Ronald A. Seale, Sovereign Grand Commander, U.S. Southern Jurisdiction, and Sunny; James D. Cole, Lieutenant Grand Commander and Sovereign Grand Inspector-General in Virginia, U.S. Southern Jurisdiction and Mary Ann; Arturo de Hoyos, Grand Archivist and Grand Historian, U.S. Southern Jurisdiction, and Leticia; David A. Glattly, Sovereign Grand Commander, U.S. Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, and Monica; John T. Phillips, Grand Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, and Cathy; Gail N. Kemp, Emeritus Member, U.S. Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, and Sandy; Eberhardt Desch, Sovereign Grand Commander, Supreme Council of Germany; Thomas A. Mortlock, 33°, Grand Sovereign, Grand Imperial Conclave Of Canada , and Wenda.

Those are our guests this evening, and of course, we do have the get acquainted evening in the ballroom, beginning at eight o'clock.

Those are the announcements, Sovereign Grand Commander.

SGC: Thank you, Grand Secretary General.

So I will suspend the labours of this Executive Session and we will reopen in Closed Session at 8:30 Thursday morning, and we will have the General Session at nine o'clock.

Those in the rehearsal, we're off to the rehearsal room.

Thank you.

Get Acquainted Evening
Wednesday, September 13 ~ 8:00 - 10:00pm

The Actives and Past Actives, their Ladies and Guests of Supreme Council enjoyed a dinner in the Maisonneuve A Room in the Marriott Chateau Champlain. Following that "A Get Acquainted Evening" was held in the Ballroom for all registered members and guest. The opportunity to mingle, meet with old and new friends, guests and to meet the new candidates and their ladies made a fitting end to a busy day, a very pleasant evening indeed.

►THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14◄

Executive Session 2
Thursday, September 14, 2017 ~ 8:30am
Viger ABC, Marriott Chateau Champlain, Montréal, Québec

SGC: Good morning, brethren. I will resume the Executive Session this morning.

This morning the first thing we are going to do is vote on the Report of the Nominating Committee for Active Members. I will ask Richard Brown to present that.

IPSGC Brown: Good morning, Brethren. I believe the first item that I am dealing with is the election of the Sovereign Grand Inspector-General. Yesterday I mentioned to you the name of the individual that is being proposed, and it is Ill. Bro. Allan Leonard Long. I thought maybe just two sentences worth of background information, because some of you may not know Allan.

He is from Calgary, he is Past Master and District Deputy Grand Master from the Grand Lodge of Alberta, and he served as Thrice Puissant and Most Wise in the Calgary Perfection and Rose Croix respectively, and he received his 33rd Degree in 2014.

The proposal is for Ill. Bro. Allan Leonard Long of Calgary, Alberta.

SGC: Motion for collective ballot.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Richard Brown, 33° and Bob Brethour, 33° for a collective ballot to be taken on the Nominations for Sovereign Grand Inspectors-General.

SGC: And this vote will be taken viva voce, and one negative vote shall reject the nominee

Grand Secretary-General, please take the vote.

The Grand Secretary-General polled the Active and Ad Vitam members of Supreme Council. The result was unanimously in favour of the advancement to Sovereign Grand Inspector-General for Ill. Bro. Allan Leonard Long, 33°

SGC: The motion is therefore carried and I would declare the nominee duly elected Sovereign Grand Inspector-General, to be invested on Saturday morning in closed session.

I have asked Loren Kline, would you contact Allan and inform him of that?

Ill. Bro. Kline: I will, indeed.

SGC: We will now move to the report of the Nominating Committee for Honorary Members.

Would anyone like the names to be reread? Hearing none. Richard.

IPSGC Brown: Thank you, Sovereign Grand Commander. Brethren, again I remind you there were 49 names read for nomination for Honorary Inspectors-General, to be conferred at London in 2018.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Richard Brown, 33° and Matt Todd, 33° that these nominations be accepted.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Bob Brethour, 33° and Rob Whitmore 33°, the vote be taken as a collective ballot.

SGC: You heard the motion properly proposed and seconded on the collective ballot.

IPSGC Brown: Perhaps, Sovereign Grand Commander, we should deal with the collective ballot. I should have waited to make my motion until that one was decided upon. You've got two motions on the table right now.

SGC: Thank you. We'll go with the collective ballot motion. Any questions or discussion on the motion for collective ballot? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

You have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded for the Honorary Members, and that vote for the Honoraries shall be viva voce, and one negative vote shall reject all the nominees.

Grand Secretary-General, take the vote please.

The Grand Secretary-General polled the Active and Ad Vitam members of Supreme Council. The result was unanimously in favour of the candidates so presented for promotion to the rank of Honorary Inspector-General in London, Ontario in 2018.

SGC: Therefore, I declare that motion CARRIED and I declare the nominees duly elected candidates to receive the Honorary Inspector-General Degree at 2018 Annual Session, subject to review by the Active Members.

I would remind all the brethren of the confidentiality of those elected, until they are interviewed.

Now I am going to call on Brian Gilkinson, Jurisprudence and Legislation, to get up and continue with those amendments from yesterday.

LGC: Sovereign Grand Commander, given the fact that the Omnibus Amendments were circulated quite some time ago, I would make a motion that we vote collectively on the Omnibus Amendments that have yet to be dealt with, specifically the amendments – and I am beginning at page 51 of the proceedings – Article 63 (a), 64 (a), 66 (a), 66 (b), 66 (c), 69 (b), Article 71 (d), Article 90 (a), Article 90 (b), Article 94 (d) (1); Article 94 (e); Article 97 (f), Article 99 (b), Article 99 (c), Regulation 8.4 (d), the Regulations governing the discipline of Supreme Council members, which would be Regulations 11.1 through to 11.13, and then Article 20 (c) and Article 20 (e).

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Rob Whitmore 33°, and Richard Brown, 33°, we would vote collectively on all of those amendments.

SGC: You have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded for a collective vote. All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

I'll call upon Brian to continue with the Omnibus Amendments.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: Thank you, Sovereign Grand Commander.

Sovereign Grand Commander, as part of the package on the restructuring we dealt with Article 7 (d) yesterday, and that was a motion moved by IPSGC Brown to delete the word 'subsequent' from that Article dealing with the reports from the Nominating Committee on Active Members.

There was an inadvertent omission to actually deal in the same manner with the report of the Nominations Committee with respect to new Members, and that is covered in the existing Article 16. I have received the motion to correct that omission and just give that the exact same treatment we gave to Article 7 (d) yesterday. So I received the notice of motion and I will just read what the new 16 (b) would read if it were passed unanimously by this Supreme Council:

> The Chairman of the Committee on Membership Nominations shall report on all such nominations on the day of the opening of the Executive Sessions preceding the full Annual Session in years in which a full Annual Session is to be held and otherwise on the day of the opening of the Executive Annual Session.

> The election shall be held in Executive Session on any day of the Annual Session. The vote shall be viva voce and one negative vote shall reject the nominee. A motion to have a collective ballot may be entertained.

And that's just what we have done with respect to the new membership nomination vote that was just taken, and this is simply to correct an oversight in not giving that report the same treatment we gave yesterday under Article 7 (d).

So your committee has reviewed this notice of motion and I can file that report indicating that we found it to be regular, but because it was not filed by the May 1st deadline it requires the unanimous consent of this Supreme Council to pass that last motion.

SGC: So we will vote on the amendment of the package. All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Now, back to you, Brian.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: So if the brethren can just bear in mind what I just said, all we're doing now is to try to get approval to treat the report on Members consistent with that, and report on Active Membership in Supreme Council.

So that requires the unanimous consent of this Supreme Council on a motion.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Brian Gilkinson, 33° and Rob Whitmore 33°, the approval of this late-filed motion.

SGC: You have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions?
First of all, all in favour of giving unanimous consent? Agreed? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Now we will go back to the motion: All in favour of the amendment? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: Sovereign Grand Commander, that concludes the amendments that I needed to deal with, with respect to that, but there are amendments that I understand Ill. Bro. Harrison will address.

SGC: Yes, I will call on him. Thank you, Brian, for all that work you've done.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: You're welcome.

SGC: I will call on John Harrison, then, for amendment 5 Regulation.

Ill. Bro. Harrison: Sovereign Grand Commander and Illustrious brethren, these amendments were prepared by Duncan Skinner. He is unable to be with us today and I am presenting this on his behalf.

You will find the amendments in the preliminary reports on pages 58 and 59, Section Five. Just a brief explanation as provided by Duncan, and to give you some background.

Regulation 10.1 requires Valleys to perform an actuarial review of the trust funds. This tends not to be done by Valleys that have changed from commuted dues to annual dues.

In Valleys where both commuted dues and annual dues are still offered, the actuarial evaluation of the trust funds may not be done. Evaluation must be calculated by the Constituent Body and not for the Valley as one organization.

Trust fund assets are often invested on a pool basis to generate the best financial returns. Regulation 10 addresses actuarial techniques to determine the adequacy of the assets recovered and future liabilities to Life Members.

Section 10.5 restricts how Valleys may use the trust fund's assets when the value of the trust fund assets is less than the actuarial liability calculation.

The restriction of use of trust fund assets could lead to the failure or collapse of a Valley, even though the Valley has millions of dollars in investments.

The proposal is to change the intent of the Regulations from restriction to oversight by Supreme Council. Supreme Council cannot enforce Regulation 10.5 without ultimately arresting the letters patent of the Constitution of a Valley's Constituent Body.

Since I cannot contemplate Supreme Council taking such action where ample assets exist to the continuation of a Valley's activities, they cannot knowingly force the Valley to comply.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. John Harrison, 33° and Rob Whitmore 33°, to approve the amendments to Section V in the Omnibus Package.

SGC: Brethren, you have heard the motion proposed and seconded. Are there any questions of discussions? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? Any abstentions? CARRIED.

Thank you, John.

I think at this time we could open the doors and have the Honorary Inspectors-General come in.

SGC: Good morning, Honorary Inspectors-General, and welcome to the Executive Session of the Supreme Council and thank you for your interest in hearing the committee reports, and that is what we are continuing to do this morning.

At this time I would call on Loren Kline for the Committee on Ritual.

The Report on the Ritual Committee was presented by Ill. Bro. Loren W. Kline, 33°.

Report of the Committee On
RITUAL

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers, and Brethren:

The committee had several projects this past year. At the request of several Deputies, a shortened opening of the Lodge of Perfection was produced. This short opening was designed to be used at any time other than the conferral of the 14°. In a similar vein, a shortened closing of the 18° was also produced. Again, this closing is not to be used when conferring the 18°. In both cases the purpose was to make business meetings and other non-conferral meetings proceed a little more quickly.

The 9° was reviewed by the committee. Many misspellings were corrected. For example, "Nelcum" should read "Nekum", several other minor grammatical and spelling errors were corrected. The first light of the "Nine Great Lights" had "Disinterestedness" as one of the knightly virtues. The meaning of this word has changed over the years. The committee considered this at some length and decided that "Impartiality" better conveys the intent. The lecture of the degree seemed out of place from when such material is usually presented; therefore, it was moved to a more standard position in the ritual.

The 17° was also reviewed. The quote from Albert Pike at the beginning of the ritual was changed to reflect what was actually in Morals and Dogma. Some stage directions were added to the set-up instructions, the title for the 2 Wardens was corrected to "Zealous" throughout the ritual. A previous ruling by Supreme Council has the candidates present for the opening of the degrees; therefore, the instructions for admitting the candidates was removed, major corrections were made to the Jr. Warden and Ven. Preceptors exchange, stage directions were also added toward the end of the degree (concerned the triangular circuits), and some knocks were added when the bandage is removed from the candidate. Other changes include having the Ven. Prec. instructing the candidate to arise after the obligation, more stage directions having Ven. Prec. Be seated as the candidate is taken to the Orator for the lecture, the description of the jewel was added to an appropriate location in the ritual as was the sign of the order instructions, and lastly an error in the glossary was made.

Appreciation:
I thank the members of the committee for their input on reviewing the rituals and their input on producing the shortened opening and closing. On behalf of the Committee, I express my sincere thanks to all the members of the Office of the Grand Secretary-General, as well as, the Grand Secretary-General for their support and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,
Loren W. Kline, 33°, Chairman
Stephen Godfrey, 33°
Miles Graham, 33°
Gordon Greasley, 33°
David Hooper, 33°
Douglas Keam, 33°
Gareth Taylor, 33°
Michael Ward, 33°
Orlan Weber, 33°

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Loren Kline, 33° and Stephen Godfrey, 33° that the Report on Ritual be accepted.

SGC: Thank you. You have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? Hearing none I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Ill. Bro. Kline: The second motion coming from the Committee on Ritual deals with a request by several of the Deputies to provide a shortened version of the opening of the 14th Degree, to be used at times other than the actual conferral of the Degree.

The proposed opening is not in the Preliminary Proceedings, but was circulated to all the Deputies and Active Members, either by myself or the office in Hamilton.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Loren Kline, 33° and Stephen Godfrey, 33° that the proposed shortened opening for the 14th Degree be accepted.

SGC: You have heard that motion properly proposed and seconded. Questions or discussions? Question? Bill Davis?

Ill. Bro. Davis: Sovereign Grand Commander, Deputy Loren Kline, does this mean that we have to do the short opening, or just if you want to, you can?

SGC: Can you respond to that, Loren?

Ill. Bro. Kline: It is optional, you can use it or not. But there were several requests that there were occasions when there were events occurring in the Valley other than when the degree was being conferred, that if they felt it would be efficient to use a shorter opening so that there would be more time for other events that might be taking place in the Valley or Lodge of Perfection meeting.

Ill. Bro. Davis: Thank you.

SGC: Thank you, Bill. You have heard the motion. I will call for the vote now: All in favour of the amendment? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Ill. Bro. Kline: Lastly, there was again a request for a shortened closing of the 18th Degree, which basically is removing the discussion on the Grand Regulations of 1764 and just skipping that bit out, which is usually given by the Second General at the time the degree is being conferred to instruct the brethren about the Feast of the Paschal Lamb. So there was a request for the Committee to consider taking that piece out, again when the degree is not being conferred, so that again we don't have to go through that when it really isn't necessary for a business meeting or such.

So we have gone in and looked at that. That, too, is circulated electronically to all the Active Members.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Loren Kline, 33° and Stephen Godfrey, 33° that the proposed shortened closing of the 18th Degree be accepted.

SGC: Brethren, you have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Thank you, Loren, for the work you do on the Ritual Committee.

The next Report is the Committee on the General State of the Rite, Rob Whitmore.

The Report on the General State of the Rite was presented by Ill. Bro. Robert Whitmore, 33°.

Report of the Committee On
THE GENERAL STATE OF THE RITE

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers, and Brethren:

Introduction
In compliance with Article 40(c) of the Statutes and Regulations of Supreme Council, your committee is pleased to submit this annual report which contains matters pertaining to the State of the Rite throughout this jurisdiction of Canada.

This Committee is composed of the Lieutenant Grand Commander as Chairman and the members of this committee are all eleven Provincial Deputies across Canada.

Deputies' Reports
Once again, much appreciation and congratulations are extended to each of the Deputies across Canada for providing us with informative and comprehensive reports regarding the Valleys under their care. A thorough reading of these reports will provide the reader with a good sense as to the ongoing activities in each Valley, the challenges faced by many, and the dedication and commitment coming from so many of our members as they continue to work

hard to ensure the continued well-being of their individual Valleys.

This year the Deputies participated in a teleconference meeting in January. A second teleconference had been scheduled for June but because of unavoidable circumstances it was postponed and as of the time of writing this report, it has not yet been rescheduled. During the teleconference in January, many topics were discussed and this was an invaluable opportunity for all Deputies, together with our Sovereign Grand Commander, Lieutenant Grand Commander, Grand Secretary, and Chief Operating Officer to exchange ideas and to hear and discuss the observations and concerns of our Deputies throughout the country.

Focus for 2016 and 2017

Once again, a major focus for this year has been to follow up regarding the action initiatives and Valley Improvement Plans that were developed based on the results of the National Membership Opinion Survey conducted in 2015. Last year the Deputies, usually at the time of their Official Visit, met with Valley leadership teams and identified areas to focus on and to develop a plan to advance and improve these areas. This year, the Deputies were encouraged to meet with these various leadership teams and identify the progress made, new areas of focus, and further initiatives to be taken.

As might be expected and for a variety of reasons, some Valleys have been more successful than others in meeting objectives and moving forward with their plans; however, all Valleys appear to be aware of the importance of this ongoing process and even those Valleys that have been somewhat slow in moving forward with specific plans (often because of unforeseen and unavoidable circumstances) have indicated a determination to meet these challenges in the future.

Membership

Again, declining membership is a constant concern and a common challenge faced by most Valleys. Although final numbers for 2016 are not available at the time of writing this report, an analysis of membership statistics shows that during 2015 our overall membership in Lodges of Perfection declined from 14,720 at the beginning of 2015 to 14,056 at the end of 2015. This is despite the fact that the number of initiates increased from 340 in 2014 to 355 in 2015. With all but 7 Valleys reporting thus far, in 2016 there have been 272 initiates.

Clearly, given the overall demographics both without our Scottish Rite membership and the population as a whole, we face an ongoing and inevitably increasing loss of members on account of death. Nevertheless, some Valleys, particularly in British Columbia, report a stable membership or even a slight increase overall. Unfortunately, these Valleys are outnumbered by those Valleys reporting an overall decline in membership. Three Valleys reported no candidates during the past year. Several Valleys reported less than ten candidates. Small Valleys will undoubtedly have fewer candidates. In spite of these numbers, many Deputies have reported an influx of enthusiastic, young initiates and these can only help our Scottish Rite to flourish.

Many Valleys are taking active steps to address this membership issue and they are to be commended for doing so. Initiatives include a conscious effort to include new members promptly and meaningfully in the degree work; more frequent and effective Master Mason Nights; social events within the Valley (e.g. steak fry) that specifically seek to include Master Masons and even non Masons; Scottish Rite degree teams presenting degrees in craft lodges within the Valley; inter Valley visitations and active participation by Scottish Rite masons in the various craft lodge social events within the Valley. At least one Valley reports a successful initiative where a particular class is named after an experienced member who then is responsible for meeting regularly with the class, both pre and post conferral, to provide more

education regarding the degrees and their lessons.

It is true that there are many reasons, both within and outside of masonry, for us to be experiencing an overall decline in membership. Certainly, we cannot ignore this fact, which has many implications to our entire masonic world, but, while we need constantly to address this issue, we must never lose sight of the true values found within our masonic world, namely Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth. Living our masonic principles and taking a visible pride in our masonic connections cannot but help in attracting like-minded new members who, in this troubled world, no doubt are seeking the principled fellowship found within our Scottish Rite.

Communication
Nearly all Valleys have reported an increased use of email in communicating with their members. This certainly allows for more economical distribution but also, when used effectively, will result in more frequent and more effective, regular contact with all members. We commend these Valleys for their efforts in moving forward with this initiative and congratulate them for the overwhelming progress made thus far.

Several Valleys have revitalized existing websites or established new websites. While this takes effort and may only be practical for some Valleys, the effective use of a current and interesting website will result not only in more interest and enthusiasm among the Valley membership but also no doubt will be of interest and assistance to those perhaps considering membership. Of course, our own Scottish Rite website continues to be effective and useful to all.

The use by some Valleys of newsletters and other forms of publication continue to be very interesting and effective. Obviously, these require the continued dedication of editors and contributors but certainly these efforts are well rewarded with a valuable communication tool.

Leadership
Leadership is an ongoing initiative established and encouraged by previous Sovereign Grand Commanders. While this topic is addressed in a separate report in these Proceedings, suffice it to say that many Valleys have embraced the importance of leadership and the need to foster it, develop it, and recognize the need for organized and proper succession planning.

We frequently hear words to the effect that more and more work is falling to fewer and fewer members. It is only though proper and dedicated leadership that this can be alleviated. To those Valleys who are consciously dealing with leadership issues, we offer our thanks and congratulations. To all Valleys we offer our encouragement and assistance.

Education
This too is an ongoing initiative, the need for which was clearly called for in the National Survey conducted in 2015. Since that time the Education and Enlightenment Committee has worked very hard in making the request for ongoing and interesting education a reality. This Committee has reported separately in these Proceedings and its report bears serious consideration. We thank this Committee for its tireless work and the very impressive results it has achieved thus far.

Fellowship and Special Events
November 19 – 26, 2016 was recognized as Scottish Rite Week. All Valleys were encouraged by our Sovereign Grand Commander to recognize this special week with some form of event. Many Valleys participated with events such as Ladies' Nights, special meetings, open houses, and other activities designed to promote our Scottish Rite within our own communities throughout Canada.

In addition, several Valleys participated, often together with various craft lodges, in activities such as Open Houses, to mark the 300th anniversary of the establishment of the first Grand Lodge in London, England.

Added to these special events, are ongoing social events within numerous Valleys such as golf tournaments, bonspiels, ladies' nights, joint participation in craft lodge events, and inter-valley visitations. All of these increase our fellowship, our enthusiasm, and strengthen our masonic ties.

Finances

A review of the various Deputies' Reports will indicate that most, but not all, Valleys appear to be relatively stable in their financial position. It must be recognized that, even in those Valleys where finances seem to be well in order, constant vigilance is required. This seems particularly to be the case in those Valleys that have life memberships with commuted dues. We all face continuing challenges. The combination of rising costs and declining membership pose a potential financial threat to all Valleys.

Not only are financial concerns an ongoing and long term issue faced by our Valleys, so too is it an important issue to be addressed by our own Supreme Council. The ongoing financial costs of our Annual Sessions and the necessary costs faced in the day to day operation of our Supreme Council are issues that are being and must continue to be treated in a meaningful and serious manner. These issues are being addressed elsewhere in these Proceedings but the financial well-being of our Supreme Council must be a priority of the highest order. We commend the efforts made thus far and look forward to further initiatives so as to ensure the financial stability of our Supreme Council in the years to come.

Deputies' Bursaries

As can be seen from the various Deputies' Reports, not all Deputies have reported on the disposition of the Deputies' Bursary made available to them. This programme is an important communication tool enabling our Scottish Rite to benefit worthy causes within our communities and to be recognized for the good work we strive to do. We thank those Deputies who have taken advantage of this programme and have made appropriate presentations. In future it is hoped that all will participate and that this opportunity will be utilized fully and for the benefit of all.

Recognition

Your committee is grateful to all who have provided information in the preparation of this report and, indeed, have contributed to our general state of the Scottish Rite in Canada. In particular we offer our thanks to:

the Active, Past Active, and Honorary Members of this Supreme Council for their continued support of the Scottish Rite through their attendance at numerous Valley and concordant body events and their active participation in degree work. Their skill, guidance, experience, and generosity are much appreciated;

to the Valleys for their efforts in honouring and recognizing longstanding members in their Valleys and members who have made outstanding contributions and for their ongoing co-operation with this Supreme Council, and for their ongoing enthusiasm and support for the initiatives brought forth by Supreme Council;

and to the Sovereign Grand Commander, the Grand Secretary-General, the Chief Operating Office and the staff at the Supreme Council Office for their ongoing assistance to the members of this committee.

As Chairman, I add my own personal thanks to each of our hard-working Deputies. Without their tireless efforts within their Valleys, without their ideas, input, enthusiasm and abilities, we would indeed fall far short of our ambitions and our goals. It is a pleasure to work with each Deputy and their dedication can never be underestimated or overstated.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert S. Whitmore, 33°
Lieutenant Grand Commander
-and-
Committee Members (all Provincial Deputies):
David Bennett, 33°
James Finch, 33°
William C. Fitzsimmons, 33°
Stephen Godfrey, 33°
Gordon L. Greasley, 33°
Brian W. Gilkinson, 33°
William A. Atkinson, 33°
Gareth R. Taylor, 33°
Loren W. Kline, 33°
Chesley R. Piercey, 33°
Jean Reed, 33°

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Rob Whitmore, 33° and Jim Finch, 33° for the Report on the State of the Rite to be accepted.

SGC: You have heard that motion proposed and seconded. Are there any questions or discussions? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED. Thank you, Rob, for your report.

Now I call on Matthew Todd for Fraternal Relations.

The Report for Fraternal Relations was presented by Ill. Bro. Matthew Todd, 33°.

Report of the Committee On
FRATERNAL RELATIONS

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers, and Brethren:

The Standing Committee on Fraternal Relations is pleased to present this report in discharge of the duty imposed upon it by Article 40(c) of the Statutes of this Supreme Council to keep informed with respect to fraternal relations with other Supreme Councils and Masonic Bodies throughout the world, to advise the Sovereign Grand Commander with respect to the conduct thereof and to report thereon to this Supreme Council at each Annual Session.

We are pleased to report as follows:

Conference of Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries of North America.
The 2017 Conference of Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries of North America was held in Omaha, Nebraska, February 18-21st, 2017. Representing our Supreme Council were, Ill Bro. Terry A. McLean, Sovereign Grand Commander, and Ill. Bro. Robert D. Brethour, Grand Secretary-General.

These Conferences cover a multitude of topics and the break-out sessions usually are more meaningful as the groups are smaller and offer more interaction and discussion. While there will be more details provided in other reports to this session, it is interesting to note some of the topics included revenue, real estate, risk management, shared services and personnel. All of these subjects are topics for our own discussions and no doubt our Supreme Council participants were able to bring back some helpful tips.

All Canada Conference of Grand and District Grand Lodges.
The 35th Annual Conference of Grand and District Grand Lodges was held in Winnipeg, April 28-29th, 2017. The representative from Supreme Council this year was, Ill. Bro. Robert Brethour, 33°, Grand Secretary General; Ill. Bro. Terry A. McLean, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander, and the Ill. Deputy for Manitoba and Nunavut, Ill. Bro Gordon L. Greasley. Past Sovereign Grand Commander, Richard A.H. Brown was in attendance as Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan. A very detailed report has been provided by Ill. Bro. Brethour, and it is worthy to note jurisdictional reports included the state of the order in all the provinces. Most reports included membership activities and education.

Ill. Bro Richard A.H. Brown is to be nominated to replace Donald Ross (Québec) as the Canadian representative on the Commission on Information for Recognition.

While you will probably find a more detailed report of the Conference in the Grand Secretary's Annual Report, it is interesting to note general discussions took place on topics including; Masonic dress codes; technology and Freemasonry; DeMolay, and leadership qualities. The meeting was deemed to be successful and the next years' conference will be in the same location, April 27-28th, 2018.

Belgium
We congratulate the Supreme Council of Belgium on the celebration of their bicentenary on June 9-10th, 2017. The event was held at Masonic Hall, and a get-together dinner at Aux Armes de Brusxelles restaurant.

Bosnia and Herzegovina
Our congratulations to the new Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill. Bro. Ognejen Markovia, and the Officers and members of this Supreme Council.

Chile
We salute the new Sovereign Grand Commander, Bro. Alvaro Pilgar Barrios, 33°, and Officers on their election.

Finland
A reorganization of the Supreme Council for Finland took place during 2016, prior to our last annual report. The new Sovereign Grand Commander is Ari Arvonen, 33°, who was previously Grand Marshall. The four main areas of strategy for the new Sovereign Grand Commander will be, ideology; cooperation and support; administration and cooperation with Finnish Masonic organizations. We wish Bro. Arvonen well.

Ivory Coast
Minutes of an extraordinary session of the Supreme Conseil Pour la Côte d'Ivoire was held on November 26th, 2016 and at that meeting Ill Bro David Mignonsin, 33°, was elected Sovereign Grand Commander for a nine year period beginning in November 2016. Ill. Bro Bassit Assad, 33°, was elected Lieutenant Grand Commander for the same period. On a sad note, we were advised of the passing of Past Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill Bro Clotaire Magloire Coffie.

Mexico
The Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill. Bro. Gaspar Antonio Ruiz Tenorio, 33°, has informed us that at a Court of Honour in March 2017, three members of the Supreme Council were expelled for criminal reasons. Those Brothers were, Manuel Jimenez Guzman, Jose Shueke Chaillo and Ruben Zarate Quiñones.

Poland
A decision signed by the Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill. Bro. Marek Brzezinski, to expel a member of their Supreme Council. The name of the suspended Brother was Bro. Paul Cierniak, 33°, and according to our records he was not an officer or a representative of our Supreme Council.

Romania
We reported in our last report, Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill. Bro Costel Iancu 33° has been suspended by the National Grand Lodge of Romania and subsequently, new officers were appointed to the Supreme Council. The new Sovereign Grand Commander is Ill. Bro. Stelian Nestor 33°. During the year The Supreme Council consecrated a Lodge of Perfection in the Principality of Monaco, and later a Chapter of Rose Croix was inaugurated in Monaco.

Scotland
We have been informed of the retirement of the Lieutenant Grand Commander, Sir Archibald D. Orr Ewing and the new Lieutenant Grand Commander being Ill. Bro Charles I.R. Wolrige Gordon of Esslemont. Congratulations and best wishes to both esteemed brothers.

Serbia
We have been informed of the passing of Ill. Bro. Dragorad Tanasic, an Emeritus member and Past Grand Prior, Past Grand Master of Yugoslavia and Grand Master ad vitam of Serbia.

State of Israel
We have been advised that Ill. Bro Valentin I Heines, 33° has been re-installed as Sovereign Grand Commander. Bro. Heines has been an active member of Scottish Rite since 1986. Our best wishes go to the Supreme Council for the State of Israel.

The Kingdom of the Netherlands
The tableau of Officers as at June, 2017 includes Ill Bro H.C. Dick Robbe, 33°, as Sovereign Grand Commander and V. Ill. Bro J.M. Hans Hijmans, 33°, as Grand Secretary and Grand Chancellor. We send our best wishes.

Northern Masonic Jurisdiction
We offer our congratulations to the new Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill. Bro. David A. Glattly, 33°, and to Ill. Bro. John T. Phillips, 33°, who will become Grand Lieutenant Commander, and Ill. Bro. Gail N. Kemp, 33°, who will become an Emeritus Member having served as Grand Lieutenant Commander. Our relationship with the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction goes back many, many years and we also offer our best wishes to Ill. Bro. John William MacNaughton, 33°, and his wife Judy on their retirement. They have been guests at our Supreme Council sessions during their term in office.

On a sad note, we offer our condolences on the passing of Ill. Bro. David R. Bedwell Sr., Deputy for Michigan.

Slovakia
A new Supreme Council was consecrated in Bratislava, Slovakia, on July 29th, 2016. The sponsoring Supreme Council was the Supreme Council of Russia. A Lodge of Perfection, Chapter of Rose Croix, Council of Kadosh, and a Consistory will operate in Slovak language

with rituals provided by the Supreme Council of Russia. All the members of the new Supreme Council are members of the Grand Lodge of Slovakia and the Grand Lodge of Austria. The new Sovereign Grand Commander is M.P. Bro. Ondrej Herec, 33°. A letter has been received requesting formal recognition by our Supreme Council. We have replied stating it will be reviewed by our Supreme Council.

Togo
Ill. Bro. Ignace Anani Clomegah, 33°, has been elected the new Sovereign Grand Commander.

2017 Annual Session
Your committee members are looking forward to meeting the many friends who will be present from other Masonic Bodies, when we gather in Montréal, Québec. This will be the occasion of the 143rd Annual Session of our Supreme Council.

We will welcome a delegation from the Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A., which will include Ill. Bro. Ronald A. Seale, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander, and his wife Sunny; Ill. Bro. Arturo de Hoyos, 33°, Grand Archivist & Grand Historian and his wife, Leticia. Also attending will be Ill. Bro James D. Cole, 33°, Lieutenant Grand Commander, and his wife Mary Ann.

From the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, U.S.A., we will welcome the new Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill. Bro David A. Glattly, 33°, and his wife, Monica; Ill. Bro. John Phillips, 33°, Grand Chancellor, (who will become Grand Lieutenant Commander); and his wife Cathy; and Ill. Bro. Gail N. Kemp, 33°, Grand Lieutenant Commander (who will become Emeritus Member), and his wife Sandy.

We welcome back again Ill Bro. Eberhard Desch, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council of Germany.

Representing the Grand Lodge of Québec, we will welcome Most Worshipful Bro. Andre Boivin.

Representing Concordant Bodies we will welcome:

Most Illustrious Knight Companion Thomas A. Mortlock, 33°, Grand Sovereign of the Grand Imperial Conclave of Canada, and his wife Wenda.

Most Eminent Knight David A Hardie, Supreme Grand Master of the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada.

Ernest Loiselle, President DeMolay Canada, accompanied by his wife, Linda.

Most Excellent Companion, Frederic Comptour, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Québec.

Right Worshipful Sir Knight Donald C. Ross, 33°, Provincial Grand Master of the Royal Order of Scotland, Québec.

Illustrious Sir Jean-Baptiste Djigounian, Ill. Potentate of Karnak Shriners in Québec, and his wife, Hasmig.

Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sandra Ewart, Worthy Grand Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Conclusion
In conclusion, your Committee recommends that all communication and all actions taken by the Sovereign Grand Commander and other officers and members of Supreme Council in respect of our relations with other Supreme Councils and Grand Masonic Bodies be ratified and confirmed.

Respectfully submitted,
Matthew F. Todd, 33°, Chairman
Orlan J. Weber, 33°
Richard A. H. Brown, 33°
Stephen Godfrey, 33°
Donald D. Thornton, 33°
Steven E. Warren, 33°

ON MOTION duly moved and seconded by Ill. Bros. Matt Todd, 33° and Richard Brown, 33° that this Report of Fraternal Relations be adopted.

SGC: You have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions?

PSGC Todd: Sovereign Grand Commander, I would be remiss in not thanking Steven Warren for feeding me a lot of the information, and any of the other Committee members who hear or see things that I should be aware of.

SGC: Thank you. Now I'll call for the vote: All in favour of the report on Fraternal Relations? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Now I will call on Rob Whitmore for the report on the Leadership Initiative.

The Sovereign Grand Commander's Initiatives - Leadership Report was presented by Ill. Bro. Robert Whitmore, 33°.

Report of the Sovereign Grand Commander's Initiatives
LEADERSHIP

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers and Brethren:

Our Sovereign Grand Commander has continued the initiative on leadership which was established several years ago and I am pleased to report on the activities of this initiative during this past year. As in the past, this year we have benefitted greatly from the dedication and enthusiasm brought to the task by all our Deputies and by those hard working masons found in most Valleys. Often, we hear the comment that more and more is falling to fewer and fewer. While this comment is often true and is very telling, it is through proper leadership and succession planning that we hope to bring more and more into leadership roles so that the burdens and duties are spread more evenly and Scottish Rite membership continues to be enjoyable and not to be a burden. Nevertheless, until this goal is achieved, we continue to be constantly indebted to those dedicated few who so often, out of their own love of our craft, give so much to all of us.

Based upon the findings from the National Membership Survey conducted in 2015, all of the Deputies met with the various Valley leadership teams last year and identified areas to focus on and Valley Improvement Plans so as to move forward with a concentrated plan to improve. This year, the Deputies again met with the Valley leadership teams to review and assess the

progress made, identify new initiatives, and further discuss areas of focus.

In general, this process has again resulted in some measurable progress in many Valleys. For a variety of reasons, some Valleys have been more successful than others in meeting the specific objectives identified last year and in moving ahead with their plans; however, all Valleys appear to be aware of the importance of this ongoing process and even those Valleys that have been somewhat slow in moving forward have indicated a determination to meet these challenges in the future.

The good news is that many Valleys are advancing with some very positive steps. Several Valleys are making a concerted effort to update their membership lists. Nearly all Valleys have increased the use of email in communicating with members. Newsletters have been established or continued. Web sites have been enhanced and new web sites have been established. Valleys have concentrated on improving the quality of the ritual presentation and the importance of presenting ritual by memory as opposed to reading it. Some Valleys have established special committees or positions to oversee all aspects of Reunions and have created degree coordinators to ensure quality presentations. Officer training and the establishment of mentors for the principal officers are further examples of the steps taken in Valleys to enhance the Scottish Rite experience. A recognition of long term succession planning has led to Officer Nominating Committees in some Valleys and many Valleys have actively sought to involve new members promptly in degree work and other meaningful ways within the Valley.

All of these are examples of the fine work that is taking place within our Valleys. Certainly, this process needs to continue and by having our Deputies consciously focus on this and in meeting with each Valley's leadership team and specifically reviewing and monitoring the progress made and the steps yet to be taken, we cannot help but to move forward with positive and enthusiastic leadership and growth within our Valleys.

In closing, I extend my thanks to our Sovereign Grand Commander, our Grand Secretary-General, and to our Chief Operating Officer for their ongoing encouragement, ideas, and focus on this initiative. Above all we must recognize the efforts of our Deputies in organizing and attending the individual Valley leadership meetings and then reporting back to us. Finally, as indicated above, those hard working masons who lead the various Valley leadership teams are indeed the key to our success. Without them all of our efforts would fail and to them we offer our gratitude and congratulations.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert S. Whitmore, 33°
Lieutenant Grand Commander

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Rob Whitmore, 33° and Dave Bennett, 33° that the Leadership Initiative Report be accepted.

SGC: Brethren, you have heard the motion proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions on the report? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

The next report is on the Initiative of Membership and I will conduct that report. It is on pages 33 to 36 of the Preliminary Proceedings.

The Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill. Bro. Terry McLean, 33° presented The Sovereign Grand Commander's Initiatives - Membership Report.

Report of the Sovereign Grand Commander's Initiatives

MEMBERSHIP

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers and Brethren:

A member by definition is "A person who belongs."

AND

There are 3 rules with regards to Membership:

- Get new members
- Retain existing members
- Give them a valuable experience

2016-2017 has been a year of celebration. A real opportunity to promote the value of becoming a member of the Rite. Our Scottish Rite members engaged in the following celebrations;

- National Scottish Rite week Nov 19-26, 2016
- 300th Anniversary UGLE
- 150th Anniversary of Canada

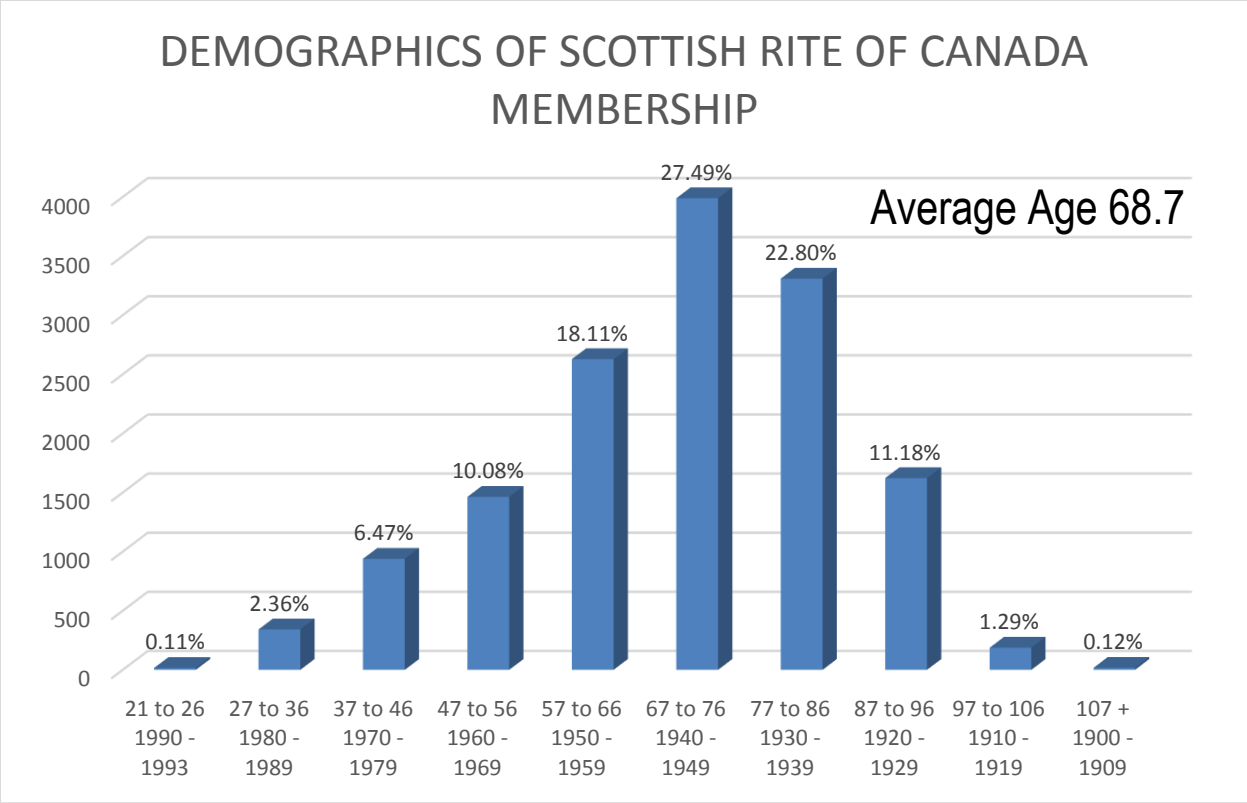
Supreme Council, being a governing body must be seen as providing resources and support to our Valleys by creating a national profile to support the Valleys in their efforts in membership recruitment, communication, leadership and Scottish Rite education and enlightenment.

On all my official visits I have travelled with my briefcase full to the brim with membership tools. I have shared the contents with the Valley Secretary/Registrars and left them with an order form. Included in the briefcase are;

- The SR Membership Jewel
- The membership video-The Masonic Journey Continues
- New Membership Brochures
- A 50th Anniversary SRCF video
- Volume Two of the History of our Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation 1985-2014
- Membership Survey Improvement Planning
- The New Scottish Rite Banner
- SGC welcome letter to new SR members on receiving their 14th degree
- A paper on How Scottish Rite can support Craft Lodges.

Also Master Masons nights, Open Houses, the Supreme Council and SRCF websites and Scottish Rite Degree teams are proving very beneficial in disseminating information about the Rite.

In the 2016 Proceedings I provided five charts reflecting current membership data and trends made visible. These charts have been updated.


DEMOGRAPHICS OF SCOTTISH RITE OF CANADA MEMBERSHIP
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3000
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2.36%
6.47%
10.08%
18.11%
27.49%
22.80%
11.18%
1.29%
0.12%
21 to 26 1990 - 1993
27 to 36 1980 - 1989
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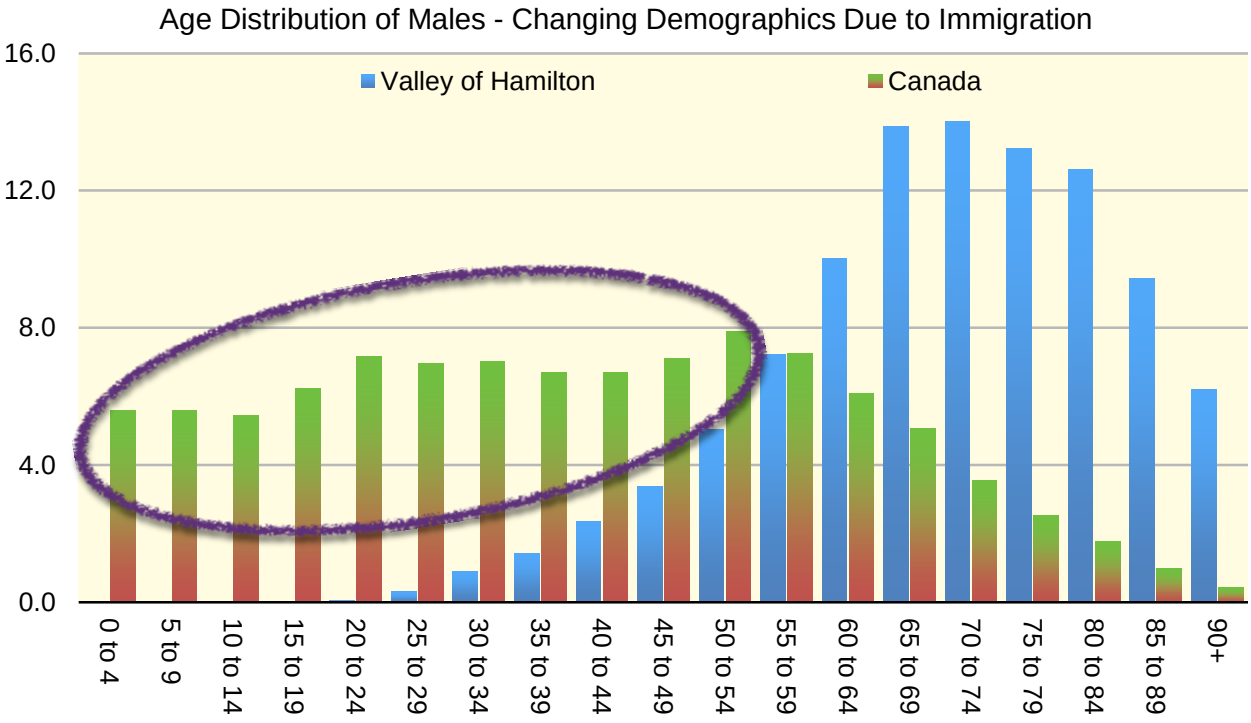
107 + 1900 - 1909


Age Distribution of Males - Changing Demographics Due to Immigration
Valley of Hamilton
Canada
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15 to 19
20 to 24
25 to 29
30 to 34
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75 to 79
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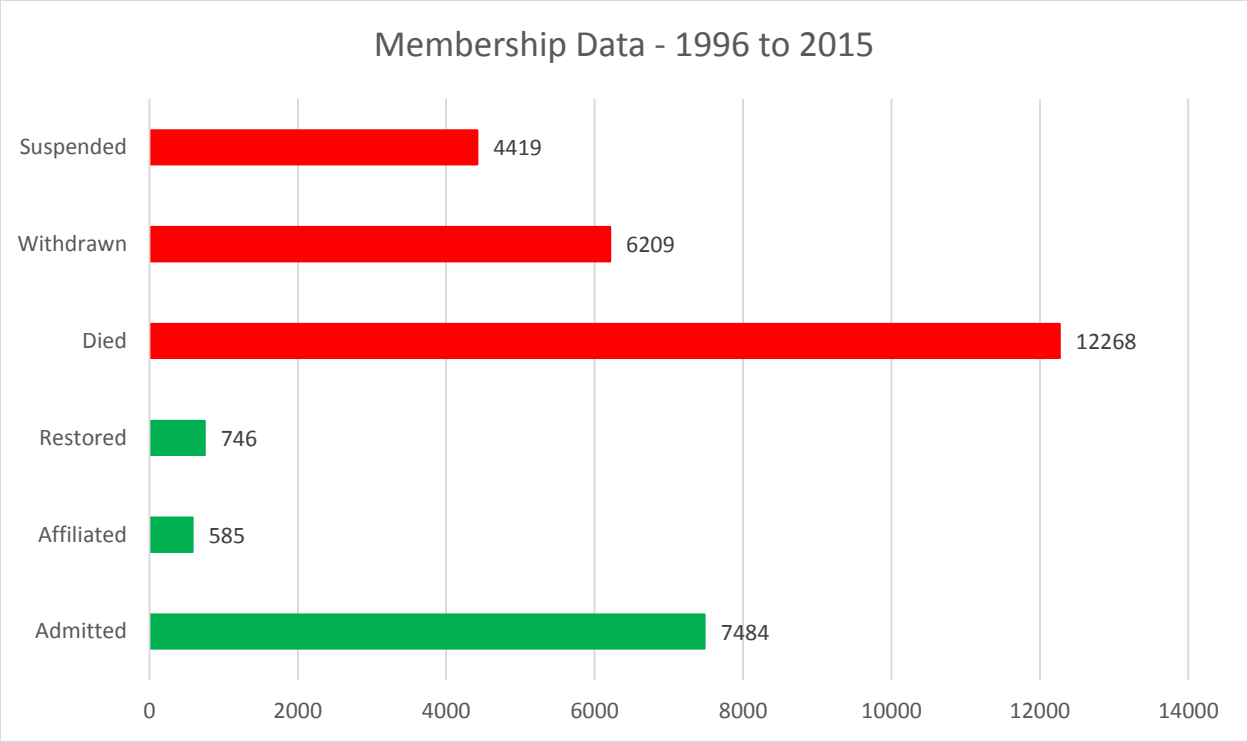
90+


Membership Data - 1996 to 2015
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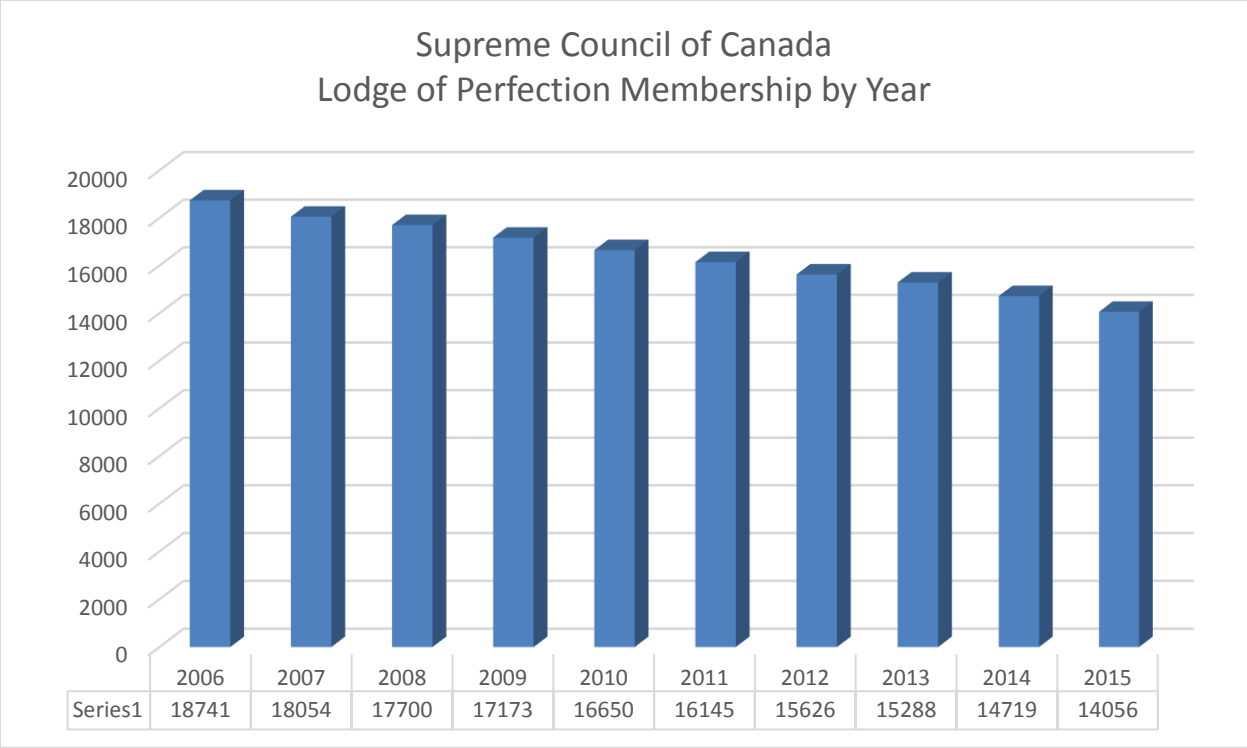
Supreme Council of Canada
Lodge of Perfection Membership by Year
20000
18000
16000
14000
12000
10000
8000
6000
4000
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2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015
Series1 18741 18054 17700 17173 16650 16145 15626 15288 14719 14056

2015 Statistics - Based on 2016 Proceedings and 2016 List of Lodges

Jurisdiction	Grand Lodge Membership	Lodge of Perf. Membership	Conversion Percent	2014
Alberta	7,137	744	10.4%	11.2%
British Columbia & Yukon	7,147	1,044	14.6%	13.0%
Manitoba	2,071	276	13.3%	13.3%
New Brunswick	2,842	426	15.0%	14.8%
Newfoundland & Labrador	2,467	88	3.6%	3.9%
Nova Scotia	4,163	440	10.6%	10.0%
Ontario	40,159	10,146	25.3%	26.0%
Prince Edward Island	702	67	9.5%	9.4%
Québec	4,018	460	11.4%	11.3%
Saskatchewan	2,594	437	16.8%	16.7%
Total	73,300	14,128	19.3%	19.4%
2014 Returns	75,761	14,719	19.4%	

Now these are the facts, let's continue to work together on innovative concepts and solutions to enhance membership growth. We need your ideas and look forward to your thoughts.

In closing I extend my thanks and appreciation to the champions of the other three initiatives Ill. Bro. Rob Whitmore, 33° the Lieutenant Grand Commander, on the Leadership Initiative, Ill. Bro. Alan Arbuckle, 33° Active Member, on the Communication initiative, and Ill. Bro. Robert Brethour, 33° Grand Secretary-General, on the Education and Enlightenment initiative. Also I am grateful to the Provincial Deputies and the Active and Past Active members for their support and communication of these initiatives in the Valleys as we journey forward together.

Respectfully submitted,
Terry A. McLean, 33°
Sovereign Grand Commander

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Bob Brethour, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° that the Membership Initiative Report be accepted.

SGC: You heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions? Hearing none, I'll call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Now I'll call for the Report on Audit and Finance, John Harrison.

Ill. Bro. John Harrison, 33° Chairman of Audit and Finance, presented his report.

Report of the Standing Committee On
AUDIT AND FINANCE

To the Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers and Brethren.

The duties of the Audit and Finance Committee are outlined in the Statutes and Regulations in Article 40 (a) (i) through (vii).

Constituent Bodies – By-law Amendments
During this past year, as Chairman of this Committee, I have reviewed the requests for by-law amendments and provided comments to the Grand Secretary General and the Chairman of Jurisprudence and Legislation.

I have expressed concern that Supreme Council lacks a template which would provide guidance to Valleys looking to make changes to their by-laws and as a result it can be challenging to work through amendments due to a lack of organization and consistency.

I'm of the view that a standard template would not only provide much needed guidance to the Valleys, but would also assist to streamline the review and approval process.

In discussing this issue with Ill. Bro. Brian Gilkinson, Chairman of Jurisprudence and Legislation; he noted that a standard template would ensure that the Valley is requesting authority that complies with the Statutes and Regulations, articles that are internally consistent, that are comprehensive in addressing process to govern the administration of the Valley and in enacting/supporting initiatives of Supreme Council as the Rite seeks to provide a better experience for its members.

A standard template should offer a number of standard worded provisions on essential articles for consideration. The very act of looking at a standard template forces consideration of possible actions to improve a Valley and strengthen the Rite. However, a template is a menu. It cannot address the need of every Valley or its circumstances. It should not stifle creative thinking by being rigidly applied. It needs to present a viable option for Valleys finding it difficult to apply resources in the area of revamping by-laws and as an assist to others whose by-laws may only require minor tweaking. Again, I attribute these comments to Ill. Bro. Gilkinson.

As a result of these discussions, The Sovereign Grand Commander has requested that Lieutenant Grand Commander Ill. Bro. Robert Whitmore, Ill. Bro. Brian Gilkinson, Chairman of Jurisprudence and Legislation, and myself as Chairman of Audit and Finance work together to draft a template for By-laws to be used as a guide.

We will commence this project following this Supreme Council Session and report back to Supreme Council when we have a draft worthy of consideration.

Reports of the Grand Secretary General, Grand Treasurer General, the Board of Trustees and Auditors.
The Committee has examined the Annual Reports of the Grand Secretary General, the Grand Treasurer General, the Board of Trustees and Auditors as printed in the Preliminary Reports on pages 3 through 25. These reports were found to be informative and complete, and the Committee recommends their adoption.

Audited Financial Statements
The committee reviewed the audited financial statements for the year ended May 31, 2017 in detail. The auditor, Grant Thornton, provided a clean audit opinion.

For the year ended May 31, 2017 Supreme Council incurred an operating deficit, or excess of expenses over revenue (before investment and unrealized gain or loss) in the amount of $114, 042.00 compared to a deficit of $91,899.00 in 2016.

Realized investment income of $52,455.00 reduced the deficit to $61,587.00, compared with a deficit of $22,050.00 in 2016. After recognizing a gain in the portfolio of $65,899.00 in 2017, there was a net loss of $24,974.00. In 2016 there was a net loss of $65,899.00 after unrealized losses of $43,849.00. Supreme Council's investment portfolio is stated at market and the changes in value are flowed through the statement of operations.

The Audit and Finance Committee recommends that the audited financial statement for the year ended May 31, 2017 be accepted as submitted by their Grand Treasurer General. We wish to thank our auditors, Grant Thornton, for their assistance throughout this fiscal year.

Budget 2017 – 2018

The committee has reviewed the budget prepared by the Grand Treasurer-General for the fiscal year 2017 – 2018. The cost of annual sessions and declining attendance are concerns that continue to be expressed by the Grand Treasurer-General, and the Audit and Finance Committee share his concerns. Last year's session in St. John's experienced an excess of expenses over revenue in the amount of $30,090.00, before travel allowance, and session costs were increased $11,868.00 compared to 2016. We are hopeful that this year's session in Montréal will be successful.

The committee believes the budget to be reasonable for the current year and, therefore, recommends the adoption of the budget as presented by our Grand Treasurer-General.

It was noted last year's report that The Scottish Rite has experienced an average annual decline of 5% over the past 20 years. We also continue to operate in a climate of minimal return on investments which result in an excess of expenses over income on an annual basis, and the committee supported an increase in annual dues as warranted and necessary.

However, there are other factors that impact our membership numbers. As Lodges update their membership data, the numbers are also impacted. For example; during an audit of the returns, it was noted that one Valley experienced a reduction in membership by 17%, simply by reviewing and updating their membership data.

We acknowledge that Supreme Council is introducing measures to try and control this situation by contemplating the change of Annual Sessions to Bi-annual Sessions after our 2018 London Session.

We caution that this is not a permanent solution, but rather an initiative to slow down the bleeding.

An annual review of revenue and expenses is absolutely necessary in order for Supreme Council to remain financially solvent over the long term, and ensure that we comply with the **fourth point of the Mission Statement of Supreme Council which reads that the Scottish Rite is a financially sound organization that leads by example**.

Financial Statements of Constituent Bodies

At time of writing, there are nine Valleys who have either not filed their annual returns or submitted their financial statements. Several of these Valleys have been delinquent in filing returns and/or financials for several years.

This is the same number as last year and this continues to be of concern to the Committee since financial statements and auditor's reports are supposed to be presented to the members at the Annual General Meeting of the constituent body or Valley.

In some cases, there continues to be a reluctance to fully divulge the financial status of a Valley, which is not only problematic from an operational point of view, but in violation of our Statutes and Regulations.

In many cases; however, it appears that the Brethren struggle with the Return Forms and in frustration, fail to properly complete the reports.

Some examples:

- Form AF1 asks "Has the report of the Auditors or Examiners been presented for approval to the members as required by Article 64(c) of the Statutes and Regulations" some Valleys have responded "No".
- Some Valleys have submitted AF Forms but did not send accompanying financials, which make the returns somewhat redundant
- Five year forecasts were prepared showing 1 new member per year, with no increase in operational expenses over the next five years.

Clearly responders continue to struggle with these forms, even though they have been in place for a number of years.

We will be reviewing a number of these issues in detail at our meeting with the Deputies on Friday with the intent of providing some insight which; hopefully, they will find of benefit during their correspondence and interaction with the Valleys.
I spent some time last year noting the importance of the five -year plan and how it should not be viewed as a task necessary to complete the returns; but rather as an important tool for the Valley membership to plan their existence. This may be accomplished by an Executive Committee, or a Committee of Trustees or Officers, but this is an important team building exercise that will ensure that the Brethren are engaged in the continued well-being of the Valley.

As a committee, we continue to be concerned by the issue of commuted and annual dues and whether or not the Valley is adequately funded to meet their long term obligations and able to ensure the continued survival of the Valley.

Rather than rehash and repeat previous commentary regarding this issue, I will highlight one statement and a question from last year's report:

- Valleys are required to act in accordance with the Statutes and Regulations of their governing body – The Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Freemasonry of Canada.
- If Valleys fail to properly disclose their financial information; if the Deputy conducts an Official Visit and provides a satisfactory report; and then the Audit and Finance Committee assembled to review this information on behalf of Supreme Council is unable to report on the financial and organizational strength of a Valley due to a lack of proper disclosure, who becomes responsible for liability in the event of a substantial or catastrophic loss?

The issues remain the same; however, we must be proactive in ensuring that every Valley properly file their returns and assisting with whatever tools are necessary to achieve this goal.

Step one is our meeting with the Deputies on Friday.

Step two will be recording and reporting the minutes of this meeting for the benefit of the Deputies which will hopefully will be of assistance to them as they undertake their duties.

Volunteers Required
This will be the final year of service for two of our Committee members.

Ill. Bro. Evan Woodhead has resigned to concentrate on his new responsibilities as C.O.O. of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario. We are deeply grateful to Evan for his many years of dedicated service to this Committee, understanding that our loss is The Grand Lodge's gain.

Ill. Bro. Sid Woods was forced to resign this spring due to health issues. This was Sid's second year on this Committee and I would like to express our gratitude for his service.

We are in need of several new reviewers to join this committee and I would be very grateful for any names that could be of service to us.

Conclusion
In conclusion, as Chairman, I would like to express my gratitude to our Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill. Bro. Terry McLean 33°; the Grand Secretary-General, Ill. Bro. Robert Brethour 33°; the Grand Treasurer-General, Ill. Bro. Thomas E. Lewis 33°, Chief Operating Officer, Ill. Bro. Steven Warren 33°; and Leslie Drake at our Supreme Council office for their assistance and guidance to the Audit and Finance Committee.

We look forward to continuing to serve.

Respectfully submitted:

John Harrison 33°, Chairman
Peter Polkinghorne 33°
James Sutherland 33°
Evan Woodhead 33°
Harris Jones 33°
John Teleske 33°
Sid Woods 33°

ON MOTION duly moved and seconded by Ill. Bros. John Harrison, 33° and James Sutherland, 33° for the adoption of Report on Audit and Finance.

SGC: Brethren, you heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Thank you, John, and your committee for the work you do on the Audit and Finance Committee, and I'm looking forward to the outcome of your meeting with the Deputies.

I now call on Alan Arbuckle for the report on Communications.

The Report on Communications was presented by Ill. Bro. Alan Arbuckle, 33°.

Report of the Special Committee on
COMMUNICATIONS

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers and Brethren:

During the year the Sovereign Grand Commander asked the Committee to look for ways to help the AASR membership understand the structure and workings of the Supreme Council. Two items were prepared to begin that effort, a one-page recap of decisions taken at the Supreme Council sessions in St. John's in September, distributed to the valleys before the end of the month, and an article for the Clarion describing a typical session.

Further articles, including a repeat of the one-page recap, are planned for the coming year.

A priority issue this year was a development of a policy on the use of Social Media. We collected similar policy documents from several jurisdictions, including the Grand Lodge of England, and Grand Lodges in Ontario, British Columbia and New Brunswick.

This policy went through several drafts and the result, appended to this report for Supreme Council's approval, was a collaborative effort between members of the committee, the Sovereign Grand Commander and the Advisory Council. This is an area where change in both technology and practice will be ongoing and we anticipate the policy will have to adapt in future to changing circumstances.

The Chairmanship of the Committee moved from Ill. Bro. Brian Gilkinson, 33°, to Ill. Bro. Alan Arbuckle, 33°, and Ill. Bro. Milan Cobanov, 33°, who has special responsibility for Social Media.
Respectfully submitted,
Alan Arbuckle, 33°, co-chair
Milan Cobanov, 33°, co-chair
Terry McLean, 33°
David Bennett, 33°
Clayton Handrigan, 33°
William Cave, 33°
Kent Clarke, 33°
Graham Fraser, 33°
Jacques Ruelland, 32°

THE ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY IN CANDA SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY AND GUIDELINES

September, 2017

Social Media and Scottish Rite Masonry
Social media offers the opportunity for Scottish Rite Masons to speak to a worldwide audience, especially of younger people. It can increase public awareness of our fraternity and help to attract new members so its use is to be encouraged. But a measure of caution must be observed since misuse can be extremely harmful. Incorrect use can have a damaging impact on our Order's public image and therefore on the Order itself.

Scope
This policy is intended to provide guidance to Scottish Rite Masons posting material on the internet. The use of social media is a powerful communications tool, but it requires caution since it provides a permanent record that is universally accessible. Even material intended only for Scottish Rite members can easily find itself in the public domain, where anyone can access it. Since innovation in social media is constant, this policy offers broad principles Scottish Rite Masons should keep in mind whenever they use this channel of communication.

Role of Members
Scottish Rite Masons should consider themselves representatives of the Order itself when using social media. The same high standard of behaviour applied to daily conduct applies equally to all

communications media. What is posted on social media by a Scottish Rite Mason should be appropriate, just as anything he says in conversation should be appropriate. Collectively, we present the public image of the Order.

Secrecy
The first lesson taught in our mysteries is to safeguard those elements of Scottish Rite Masonry we regard as secret, to be shared only with one another within the confines of the Order. Any material, whether text or images, on ritual detail, balloting on candidates or other business behind tyled doors must remain private.

Privacy
Every effort must be made to respect people's privacy. Individuals are entitled to elect to keep their name or photograph (including video) or personal information (e.g. E-mail address) off the internet and some do make that election. If a picture is destined for a website, for example, the person taking that picture should clearly say so. Where possible, he should seek the consent of the people involved.

Subject Matter
Notwithstanding the above, there is much to depict about Scottish Rite Masonry that contributes to a positive image of the Order, its charitable work, its social events and the community causes we support. Ours is a rich history and we should not be shy about saying so, provided postings portray the Rite, and Masonry in general, in a positive light so that the reputation of the Order is safeguarded at all times.

There are some common-sense principles to observe. Postings should reflect the Order's high standards of integrity, morality and community service. There should be no unauthorized use of Scottish Rite logos or symbols without permission from Supreme Council. Scottish Rite Masons should refrain from acting as spokespersons for the organization unless authorized to do so. Information must be accurate, honest and timely.

Paid advertising and announcements of events are perfectly legitimate and provide a service to our members by informing them of goods, services and activities they may wish to access. But caution must be observed so that no Scottish Rite site is inadvertently used for political or personal gain.

Pictures
Scottish Rite is a colourful and dramatic branch of Freemasonry and that is part of its appeal. So pictures of Scottish Rite Masons in costume or dressed in regalia help the uninitiated understand a little more of what we are about.

However, we must also retain a measure of mystery about what goes on while our Lodges, Chapters and Consistories are at work. Therefore, once a body has opened, no pictures should be taken.

Other pictures require careful selection. Giving people a glimpse of our costumes, props and staging is one thing. But posting an image that could be easily misunderstood, especially by someone who has no knowledge of the context is quite another. We must ask ourselves if a picture under consideration might be misinterpreted and make our selections with that in mind. Err on the side of caution.

Discussion and Debate
Without restricting free speech and debate, criticism of Supreme Council or any other Masonic authority should be avoided. Some social media channels, such as Facebook and Twitter, are commonly used for public conversation and debate and Scottish Rite Masons will certainly be part

of that. But they must keep in mind the impression they may create with what they post. Obviously, profanity, offensive or defamatory content or links thereto is unacceptable and, while mature debate is to be encouraged, hostility or private quarrels is not. Equally, political, religious or issues of personal conflict should not be part of a Masonic posting.

Communication between Scottish Rite Masons
Social media provides an easy way for Scottish Rite Masons to communicate with each other no matter where they are in the world. That creates an opportunity to share experiences and information on activities and events locally, nationally and internationally. It also provides a platform for discussion about topics of mutual interest from which we can all learn. It is particularly useful for communicating with young people who may be interested in joining the Order, since they are the largest audience segment of those using social media. Use of new channels of communication can help us remain relevant in a changing world.

Communication with a Public Audience
As well as allowing Scottish Rite members to engage with each other, social media can be an ideal channel to engage non-members and non-Masons. As noted, it is extremely popular with young people, an audience we are always anxious to reach. It can be helpful in raising awareness and understanding of our organization and stimulating interest in it. Since recruiting new members is important for our future, social media offers a tool at our disposal. By using it carefully, Scottish Rite Masons can also dispel myths about our Order. Enhancing everyone's understanding of what we are and what we do can only make a positive contribution to our Order.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Alan Arbuckle, 33° and Gareth Taylor, 33° that the Report on Communications be accepted.

SGC: Thank you. Brethren, you have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? So this is the vote on the report on the Communications. All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Ill. Bro. Arbuckle: Brethren, we developed a policy on social media based on a review of a number of other policies developed elsewhere in other jurisdictions, including Ontario, B.C., New Brunswick, the Grand Lodge of England and a Masonic Association from the west. We found, essentially, that the principles that their policies postulated were fairly common, so we scooped them up and reflected them in our paper, which we have presented now – the format varies, but we have chosen a narrative form.

This went back and forth between the Committee, first of all, then in talking with the Sovereign Grand Commander, and then again with the Advisory Council, and we have come up with what you see before you, which we consider something of a living document.

I think this is an area where change is almost daily, certain changes more quickly than I can keep up with, and I think we will need some experience with it to make sure that we've got the ground covered the way we want it covered. So I would not be surprised if we had to massage it in future.

For now, at least, we have something which I think calls on the Scottish Rite Mason to use good common sense, if you will, in dealing with a medium which is very important, a very critical piece of the communications puzzles of Scottish Rite because it appeals to the younger people so much, but at the same time requires a sensitivity to its risks and dangers.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Alan Arbuckle, 33° and Gareth Taylor, 33° for the acceptance of the Social Media Policy and Guidelines as found on page 70 in the Preliminaries.

SGC: Brethren, you have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Thanks, Alan, to you and your Communications Committee for the work you do.

The next report is the report on the Clarion that can be found on pages 73 to 74 of the preliminaries. I will give this report as a member of the editorial board on behalf of Darian Bacon, who is our new editor-in-chief. He is from the Valley of Peterborough. Due to the resignation of Ill. Bro. Ken McComb as the editor-in-chief, we thank Ken for his service and commitment to the production of the Clarion over the years. So Darian Bacon will be our new editor-in-chief.

Editorial Board member Ill. Terry McLean, 33° presented the Report on the Clarion.

Report of the Special Committee On
THE CLARION

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers and Brethren:

This report is a summary of the successes, opportunities, and areas that need review for future editions of the Clarion magazine.

Mission Statement
The Clarion is a joint publication of Supreme Council (SC) and the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation (SRCF) that provides news of "Scottish Rite Freemasonry in Action" in Canada, to inform, to educate, to provide awareness in our communities and to share our experiences and achievements.

Our ongoing objectives are to provide a 1st Class Quality Publication, to ensure every Scottish Rite member receives a copy and to obtain revenue-generating opportunities so the Clarion becomes self-sustaining. The Clarion is a key component of our Communication initiative.

Brief Highlights on the 9th Edition of the Clarion Winter 2017
The winter 2017 issue circulated to over 13,000 members across Canada as well as to all Supreme Councils with who we are in amity. 14,000 copies were printed for distribution.

The cover this year was entitled and primarily devoted to Scottish Rite Week-Nov 16th to 26th Other feature stories included Integra Mindfulness Martial Arts by Dr. Karen Milligan and an explanation on what is the Supreme Council of Canada. 80% of the Valleys responded with an activity in celebration of Scottish Rite week.

It is important to note that the publication remained at 16 pages. The number of submissions increased dramatically doubling in content, however, due to budget constraints the Editorial Board Members felt that the increase in size of this publication had to be limited. The result was that several articles that were submitted could not be included in the 2017 publication. However, those articles not included in the 2017 Clarion were sent to Scottish Rite Masons via the Fall-Winter 2016 Communique.

We continue to seek big-name advertisers to reduce the postage costs. Per edition - full page (back or inside cover) $2,000, half page $1,000, quarter page $500. We thank Ecclesiastical Insurance, Canadian Masonic Supply and RBC Dominion Securities for their continued support. This was the first year for Enhanced Pet Products and we hope that it will not be the last.

Once again we inserted the SRCF Blue envelop into the magazine. We would recommend this process be continued in all upcoming issues and our heartfelt thanks to the many donors.

In spite of rising costs, in year 9 we have stayed within budget.

There was a slight delay this year in delivery to the receiving of stories and photos from Scottish Rite week. We hope to get back on track with the 2018 publication reaching your home before December 20th.

Clarion current and back issues are available on the SC and SRCF websites at www.scottishritecanada.ca and www.srcf.ca

Opportunities
We are very pleased with the contributions from all the Scottish Rite Valleys across Canada and look forward to the submissions for the next issue. Please send your wonderful stories and events of interest to clarion@supreme33.ca

Moving Forward

1. Consider the Budget for 2018
2. Continue to pursue advertisers as sponsors
3. Expand distribution of magazine to both the public and the communities
4. Cost reduction initiative-Investigate on line distribution

Next Issue-10th Anniversary Year of the Little Paper that Grew!
Coming in December 2017 with an article submission deadline of Nov 1 the Clarion will be looking for many Valley success stories/activities in celebration of 300 years of Freemasonry UGLE and 150th Anniversary of Canada, Valleys Best Practices as well as the standard popular sections.

Feedback Received
Once again very positive feedback was received on this issue. We have received many kind letters from our shut-in members. We trust you have found it an enjoyable and an informative read.

We were saddened to hear of the resignation of Ill. Bro. Ken McComb, 33° as the Editor-in-Chief and thank him for his service and commitment to the production of the Clarion magazine.

I wish to thank Ill. Bro. Terry McLean, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander, for all of his support and guidance, Gareth R. Taylor, 33°, the President of the SRCF, Ill. Bro. Robert Brethour, 33°, Grand Secretary-General, Ill. Bro. Steven E. Warren ,33° COO, the Deputies, the Valley Directors of Communications, the Clarion Production Committee, all Valley Grand Secretaries/Registrars, all who contributed articles, Ms. Leslie Drake, Administrative Associate for magazine co-ordination, Mindpress Inc. for design and layout and PBI Printing for their assistance and support.

Respectfully submitted,
Darian Bacon, 32°
Editor-in-Chief

Clarion Editorial Board Members:
Terry A. McLean, 33°, SGC
Gareth R. Taylor, 33° President SRCF
Allard B. Loopstra, 33° Representing SRCF
Gordon L. Greasley, 33° Representing SC

Clarion Production Committee Members
Milan Cobanov, 33°
Ivan Harris, 33°
Robert D. Brethour, 33°
David Bennett, 33°

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Bob Brethour, 33° and David Bennett, 33° for the acceptance of the report on the Clarion.

SGC: Are there any questions or discussions? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

IPSGC Brown: Sovereign Grand Commander, I wonder if I might be permitted just a brief question of Ill. Bro. Arbuckle with respect to the Social Media policy. It wasn't about the content, but are there any plans in place to widely distribute that policy to the Valleys so that they are aware of the guidelines? I wondered if you could just give me some information about that.

Ill. Bro. Arbuckle: That will certainly have to be the next step and we will look forward to talking with the Sovereign Grand Commander as to how he wants to do that. But obviously it would be useless to adopt it and not distribute it.

SGC: Yes. I believe we will have to get the word out, for sure. Okay?

IPSGC Brown: Thank you, Sovereign Grand Commander.

SGC: Now I will call on Tom Wills for the report on Library and Archives.

The Report on Library and Archives was presented by Committee Member, Ill. Bro. Thomas Wills, 33° on behalf of Ill. Bro. Thomas Fiddes, 33°

Report of the Special Committee On
LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers and Brethren:

At a meeting of the Supreme Council in 1881 in Montréal, Illustrious Brethren J.H. Murton and W.H. Hutton recommended "that at the next session an addition be made to our status providing for another standing committee called the Library Committee to be appointed in the same manner as the other Standing Committees of this council". On motion the report was received and adopted. This lone motion may be considered the establishment of the Scottish Rite Library in Canada. With this in mind, we can assume that the history of our present day Scottish Rite library is special indeed.

A special library is one that provides specialized information and resources on a particular subject, and serves a specialized and limited clientele, and provides this service to that clientele. Specialized libraries also exist within academic institutions, including law and medical school libraries.

The Scottish Rite is fortunate to have our own specialized library which will soon be housed in our own facility in Hamilton. This summer, our library of over 2000 items will be transferred from the Grand Lodge premises to a new location in the Scottish Rite edifice. We thank Grand Lodge for affording us the space in which to operate our library over the years.

For various reasons this change in venue is a prudent move. It will now become a resource centre and reading room and of course will remain a lending library. Basic services will remain the same.
Our most important challenge will be to increase the usage of our facility.

I bring greetings to all members but especially to new members. We welcome your requests and your curiosity. If you thirst for answers to your questions or you just want some pleasurable reading, join us. It's easy!

I thank the following members of this committee for their support and advice.
Victor Lepp, 33°, Donald Cousins, 33°, James Ford, 33°, Lanny Salmon, 33°, Thomas Wills, 33°

Thomas Fiddes, 33°,
Chairman

ON MOTION duly moved and seconded by Ill. Bros. Tom Wills, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° for the acceptance of the Report on Library and Archives.

SGC: Brethren, you have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED. Thank you, Tom.

Now I will call on Gareth Taylor for the report on the Committee on the Communiqué.

The Report on The Communiqué was presented by Ill. Bro. Gareth Taylor, 33°

Report of the Special Committee on
THE COMMUNIQUÉ

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers and Brethren:

The primary focus of the Committee has been on the production and circulation of the *Communiqué* as way of providing additional information to the Brethren across the country. In 2016-2017 the Communiqué was only published once with a summer 2017 edition. This is in addition to the expanded ninth edition of the Clarion.

The *Communiqué* is sent to over 700 Scottish Rite Brethren and with the assistance of our Valley Grand Secretaries, we are able to circulate the *Communiqué* to many more of our members across the country. The Committee is very appreciative to those Valley Secretaries and others who forward the Communiqué to Brethren in their Valleys.

This publication is dependent on the information provided by our members and it was very encouraging to see an increase in the number of articles and photographs submitted this year. We are deeply indebted to those who have taken the time to submit material for publication. Many of these were from Members or Valleys who have not submitted previously. We continue to encourage Valleys to share your good news stories with Scottish Riters across the country.

Respectfully submitted,
Gareth R. Taylor, 33° Chairman

Ill. Bro. Taylor: I was not quite as prescient as others in my report. I had anticipated that we would have a summer edition of the Communiqué. It got delayed, but there will be one coming out, as I discussed with the Sovereign Grand Commander, hopefully in the next month or so.

One of the items that also needed to be addressed is how to better distribute it. It has a good distribution through the Valley Secretaries and to the Honorary Inspectors-General, people who have been registered at Supreme Council, but as the Sovereign Grand Commander mentioned, with the Clarion, if it's going, we're looking at something more electronic for distribution of that, how we could tie this together to get this message out to more and more of the brethren.

ON MOTION duly moved and seconded by Ill. Bros. Gareth Taylor, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° for the acceptance of the Report on the Communiqué.

SGC: Brethren, you have heard the motion proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Thank you, Gareth, for the work you do on the Communiqué.

I now call on William Atkinson to report on the Committee on DeMolay Leadership Development.

Ill. Bro. William Atkinson, 33° Chairman of DeMolay Leadership Development presented his report.

Report of the Special Committee on
DeMOLAY – LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers and Brethren.

Annually, the Scottish Rite of Canada offers three $500.00 Scholarships to assist the members of DeMolay Canada in attending the DeMolay Leadership Training Course of their choice. Distributions of the awards are as follows: 1 each for Western Canada (BC, Alberta and Manitoba), Central Canada (Ontario and Québec), and the Atlantic Provinces (New Brunswick, PEI and Nova Scotia).

Any active member of DeMolay Canada may apply by submitting an online application. All applications must be submitted before June 15, 2017. These awards are expected to reimburse costs and not pay in advance for attendance at the conference, proof of attendance may be required. The selection committee is comprised of members of the Board of Directors of DeMolay Canada and/or Supreme Council of the Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

This year's recipients of the DeMolay Leadership Development Scholarship are:

Nathan L'Abbe from Fundy Chapter in Windsor, Nova Scotia;
Jacob Fournier from Horace Mundy Chapter in Ajax, Ontario;
Dylan Hunter Wilson McLean from Stampede Chapter in Calgary, Alberta.

Congratulations to the Valley of Barrie on sponsoring the first Chapter of DeMolay in the area, the new Simcoe Grey York Chapter of DeMolay, thus reflecting the opportunity for young men from the surrounding area to participate.

Respectfully Submitted,
William A. Atkinson, 33° Chairman
Richard A.H. Brown, 33° PSGC
William Millett, 33°
Ernie Loiselle, 18° President DeMolay Canada & Executive Officer in Ontario

ON MOTION duly moved and seconded by Ill. Bros. Bill Atkinson, 33° and Richard Brown, 33° for the Report on DeMolay Development to be accepted.

SGC: Brethren, you have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Thank you, Bill, for the work you do with the DeMolay.

Now I call for the report from the Committee on Unfinished Business, David Bennett.

The Report on Unfinished Business was presented by Ill. Bro. Dave Bennett, 33°

Report of the Special Committee On
UNFINISHED BUSINESS

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers and Brethren.

Upon a review of the 142nd proceedings published for the 2016 sessions held in St. John's, NL, two items were deferred to the Montréal sessions in 2017:

The ad hoc committee on amendments to the Statutes & Regulations with regards to questions pertaining to the need of articles 13 & 14 due to the elimination of article 12 along with comprehensive proposed amendments (Page 91 of the 2016 proceedings).

The ad hoc committee on session restructuring. (Page 92 of the 2016 proceedings).

Respectfully Submitted,
David A. Bennett 33°, Chairman
Marvin L. Munro, 33°
Gordon S. Young, 33°

ON MOTION duly moved and seconded by Ill. Bros. Dave Bennett, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° for the acceptance of this Report on Unfinished Business.

SGC: Brethren, you have heard the motion proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Now I will call for the report from the Committee on Education and Enlightenment, Robert Brethour.

The Report on Education and Enlightenment was presented by Ill. Bro. Robert Brethour, 33°

Report of the Special Committee on
EDUCATION AND ENLIGHTENMENT

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers and Brethren.

At the 2015 Annual Session of Supreme Council held in Windsor, Ontario, the Sovereign Grand Commander announced the formation of a new Supreme Council Special Committee – Education & Enlightenment. This committee has been created to complement the existing Supreme Council initiatives of Communication, Leadership, and Membership. Increased

education was clearly identified as a priority for many of our members in the National Survey conducted in 2015.

This special committee has a mandate to provide increased education to Scottish Rite members across Canada. ***"The mission statement for the Education & Enlightenment Special Committee of the Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada is to provide a comprehensive and cohesive collection of Masonic educational tools to be published on our website and to be utilized in AASR Valley meetings and instructional workshops throughout Canada. The standardization of the valuable lessons, history and principles of our Rite will strengthen our communication and increase its availability to all members of our jurisdiction"***

The committee, comprised of members from coast to coast, has accomplished several short term goals including: the creation of a section on the website of Supreme Council organized into the categories of Governance, History, Symbolism, Reference Material – and more recently Contemplations and Addresses categories; the delivery of a power point presentation at the Annual Session in St. John's, Newfoundland outlining the programs we plan to implement; the creation of Pre and Post Degree Explanations designed to provide Valleys with the opportunity to further enhance the educational experience for their members; the translation of these Explanations from English to French; and the creation of an Explanation of the Private Rutherford Degree conferred by Moore Sovereign Consistory in Hamilton

The committee is also committed to several longer term initiatives designed to offer members across Canada additional educational opportunities. These include: the regular addition of new material to the website; a series of Playbills for each Degree; increased information concerning the history of our Valleys and historical figures of significance; a proposed writing contest open to all members with respect to specific topics relating to our ritual; and a program which will afford members an in depth examination of specific degrees. The potential of the Education & Enlightenment initiative remains an exciting opportunity, and we look forward to its evolution in the coming years.

Through the initiatives of Communication, Leadership, Membership, and now Education & Enlightenment, Supreme Council is working hard to enhance the Scottish Rite experience for its members. The committee would invite and welcome input and feedback on the education we provide, and certainly on specific topics our members would like information about. Our goal is to publish a broad range of material to appeal to those seeking further enlightenment.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Brethour 33°, Chairman (Barrie)
Joe Angel 32° (Saskatoon)
David Bennett 33° (North Bay)
Timothy Edwards 33° (Toronto)
Stephen Godfrey 33° (Victoria)
Gordon Greasley 33° (Winnipeg)
Gordon Harris 32° (Edmonton)
Allard Loopstra 33° (Hamilton)
Paul Miller 33° (St. John's)
Jean Reed 33° (Montréal)
Scott Rowe 32° (Barrie)
Donald D. Thornton 33° (Hamilton)

ON MOTION duly moved and seconded by Ill. Bros. Bob Brethour, 33° and Jean Reed, 33° for the acceptance of the report on Education and Enlightenment

SGC: Brethren, you have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Are there any questions or discussions? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Thank you, Robert, and your committee for the work you do on the Education and Enlightenment.

Brethren that was the number one feedback response, of a need for the brethren who are Members of the Scottish Rite, more education and enlightenment. So I think your committee has done a fine job of getting that word out.

Grand Secretary-General, do you have a motion for next year's annual session?

ON MOTION duly moved and seconded by Ill. Bros. Bob Brethour, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° that next year's meeting will be hosted by the Valley of London at the Double Tree by Hilton, 300 King Street, London, Ontario, and the London Convention Centre, 300 York Street, London, Ontario. The vesper service will be on Thursday, September 13th, 2018, formal opening of Supreme Council on Thursday, September 13th, 2018, with the Chain of Union on Saturday, September 15th, 2018.

SGC: Brethren, you have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

I believe the chairman is in the room, Ill. Bro. Garry Dowling, right over there. Very good. Looking forward to London.

And now I will call on Stephen Godfrey for the report on the Deputies Meeting that was held on Wednesday.

Ill. Bro. Godfrey: Sovereign Grand Commander, peers and brethren, the Deputies met on Wednesday morning from eight to nine-thirty. We dealt with the following issues, purely discussion:

The first one dealt with the consideration for the movement that we are making towards a three year term to a four year term and the possibility of a discussion around the possibility of the election of Members every two years, rather than four. There was no real consensus of opinion, but you have heard exactly where we're travelling to, in any case, at this particular time.

The second issue dealt more with just some information. You have heard that we have, in the Education and Enlightenment Committee, requested to have some information with respect to the histories of Valleys. We hope that that will take place and the Deputies were asked if they could begin to accumulate maybe some interest in that area and submit their reports.

They have requested some guidelines as to exactly how those histories might come forward to be presented to the Education and Enlightenment Committee, and so that will be done. I have already spoken to our chair of Education and Enlightenment for a possibility.

We had a discussion about Valleys helping Valleys, the possibilities that some of the issues that we work around in order to bring Scottish Rite information to Master Masons and the possibility, too, of creating a team that would present a very high quality presentation and consistent presentation to Valleys or to Lodges and Master Masons in any particular area.
The discussion was very fruitful and there is the possibility that in some places in this country it will work, others might not. But what we are doing is trying to make sure that whenever we do

make presentations to Master Masons that it is always first class and it is accurate information, as well.

I hope that you will hear from the Deputies of your specific jurisdictions in the hopes of maybe seeing if that is a possibility for you to make a recommendation to build teams that might be of benefit to all the Lodges and, of course, our Rite in particular.

Another issue which came up was with respect to data collecting. There are situations where we find Craft Lodges not knowing exactly some of the Members who have passed away, as to what connections they had with Concordant Bodies.

Consequently, sometimes that information comes to us in a very late time. Once in a while we will send per capita to Hamilton, only to find that that per capita is being paid to somebody who is deceased. It is a very difficult situation, because in many cases Craft Lodges, they do not know the background of their membership with respect to Concordant Bodies that they have joined. It is not something that we tend to make known to a secretary, unless they also are part of those Concordant Bodies.

There was no solution to this one, but there are some areas in this country where they have, I think, a Masonic bureau that was working and a sort of central clearinghouse of information. The suggestion was made, too, that perhaps if we made contact with our own Grand Lodges and their websites or their database in particular to find out the list of names of those who are deceased, in order for us to keep our databases in Scottish Rite up-to-date.

I'm going to have to just go to my notes, Sovereign Grand Commander, just for a moment.

The next item we had was a controversial discussion, and that is to talk about transparency or the lack of transparency sometimes with respect to the election of those Deputies and others in our jurisdiction. It was clear that what has been taking place in recent years is working, and whether there really is a need for the Deputies to know all those details.

There were two final discussions. There was one which dealt with the information of Deputies in financial support of their travelling and whether there should be anything there that we could improve upon. We did note very clearly that we do have opportunity as Deputies to make sure that some of our costs are covered by Supreme Council, and we work hard, all of us, to make sure that it is limited to what we really need. But in general terms we are happy with the way things are going.

One final point was brought up at the very end, and that was the situation of a brother who has been suspended by a Grand Lodge and consequently, if he is a Member of Scottish Rite, that that suspension also is included. The question arises: So what happens when he is reinstated? As you probably know, in most cases for reinstatement there is a request by a brother to return back to a Lodge and he has to be voted in. I don't know if there is any situation with respect to what happens, then, with that same brother who returns to his Valley. Does the Valley have to agree to his return?

I have left that with Ill. Bro. Brian Gilkinson to help me with that situation and other situations in the future.

Sovereign Grand Commander, they were the topics that we dealt with at our Deputies Meeting.

ON MOTION duly moved and seconded by Ill. Bros. Stephen Godfrey, 33° and Loren Kline, 33° for the acceptance of the Report on the Deputies Meeting.

SGC: Thank you. You have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

ON MOTION duly moved and seconded by Ill. Bros. Bob Brethour, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° to authorize the renewal of the contract for the Chief Operating Officer and Executive Secretary, Steven Warren, for the period from September 17, 2017 to September 16, 2018.

SGC: Brethren, you have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED

And Steven is not with us right now because he is out giving orientation to our 47 new candidates.

Brethren, just for the information of the HIGs in the room, we have changed the structure of our Annual Sessions, and that was passed in Executive Session. Our Annual Session will be held in London in 2018, and then in 2019 there will be no Annual Session, but there will be just an Executive Session. We will probably do that by teleconference.

In 2020, we will go to a site, and in 2021 we will have a teleconference, and in 2022 we will go to a site. So our Annual Sessions with the sites are every second year, and that is a change. You will all be communicated about that.

Well, that concludes the committee reports and I will call on the Grand Secretary-General for any announcements.

GSG: Sovereign Grand Commander, a reminder to the Actives and Past Actives that there will be a lunch, eleven to twelve, in Maisonneuve A on the 36th floor That luncheon is for the Active, Past Active Members and our special guests.

Also, eleven to twelve will be the Sovereign Grand Commander's ladies luncheon. That is in the Terrasse on the Plaza Level. That will be hosted by Bonnie McLean and Judi Whitmore.

At one o'clock sharp the vesper service will be held at St. George's Anglican Church. Honorary Inspectors-General, the dress will be tuxedo, no jewels or regalia required. Actives and Past Actives, morning suits, no jewels, with the exception of the Sovereign Grand Commander.

All Members and ladies should wear their name tags; that is your admission.
St. George's Anglican Church is just across the street, kiddy-corner to the hotel. Apparently a police escort has been arranged to ensure that we get across the street safely, to and from the church.

I would call on our Grand Marshall, Ill. Bro. Jeff Dickson, to explain where the marshalling area will be for the Actives and Past Actives, and also where the HIGs will enter the church, please.

Ill. Bro. Dickson: Thank you very much, Bob. Brethren, the Actives and Past Actives and our guests will collect in a marshalling area on the west side of the church. Honorary Inspectors-General, you will enter the sanctuary at the southeast corner of the church off of Avenue des Canadiens-de-Montréal, and then you will be processed into the sanctuary.

The gentleman at the church and the sidemen will have cordoned off an area for those who will be marshalling. There will be lots of room, 600 can be comfortably seated on the floor of the sanctuary. Any questions or concerns?

SGC: Thank you.

Ill. Bro. Dickson: There will be a sidemen at that back corner to direct you accordingly.

GSG: Thank you, Illustrious Brother Dickson.

Further announcements, Sovereign Grand Commander: Following the vesper service the formal opening and the 33rd Degree will be at 3:00 p.m. sharp. That will be in the Cartier ABC. For those who haven't got their bearings yet, the Cartier Room, if you are in the lobby of the hotel and you go by the restaurant, you turn right, go down the hall to the Montréal Canadiens store, there is another right turn through a lobby area, and that's where the Cartier is located. It's a little out-of-the-way compared to the rest of the facilities we are using this week.

The opening will be at 3:00 p.m. sharp. Name tags will be required for all attendees; that is your admittance to the room. Make sure you have your name tag.

For the Active Members, officer collars can be left in the Cartier Room before the vesper service, if you wish. For those Actives participating in the Degree, as soon as possible on your return from the vesper service, put on your collar and all other regalia before getting your microphone. Please attend at the Cartier foyer to get your microphone and mic check. We will marshal in the Cartier foyer prior to the Degree, you will receive your instructions from the Grand Marshal.

A reminder to all brethren that there will be a formal recession following the Degree, as discussed yesterday at the rehearsal.

This evening at 7:00 p.m. we have the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation Banquet. A reminder of the dress for that event: HIGs, the dress is tuxedo; Sovereign Grand Inspector-General, white tie and tails. Table numbers are on your name tags. Hopefully everyone is familiar – the candidates should be made aware of that. I'm sure that Steve's looking after that right now.

There will be a reception in Vigor ABC from six to seven. The bar closes at 6:45 when all are asked to be seated for the special guest to be piped in.

I would note, brethren, the bar will close at 6:45 whether there is a lineup at that bar, or not. The bar will reopen once the head table has been piped in, but be aware if you want a glass of wine for the table you had best get it before 6:45.

Members of Supreme Council and guests who received invitations for a pre-banquet reception hosted by the Foundation will gather in the Étude Champlain Room at 6:00 p.m. For those who are not familiar with that room, it is directly across the hall here.

I believe those are the announcements, Sovereign Grand Commander

SGC: Thank you, Grand Secretary-General.

Well, brethren, that concludes the reports for this morning. We have got some free time between now and lunch, so at this time I would adjourn the Executive Committee Meeting and it will resume at nine o'clock on Friday, in the Cartier ABC. So you've got a half hour to sleep in.

Thank you, brethren.

Thursday, September 14, 2017 ~ 1:00pm
Vesper Service ~ Sermon

The Reverend Canon Michael D.H. Farr, B.A., LTh.
Grand Prior

ST. GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH – MONTRÉAL, QUÉBEC

Exodus 16:2-15
Psalm 145:1-8
Matthew 20:1-16

The story of the workers in the vineyard is very interesting. A landowner went out to the market place early to hire workers for his vineyard and agreed with them for the going daily rate. He goes back to the market at 9:00 a.m., noon, 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. and hires more workers each time, with the promise to pay them whatever would be fair. At the end of the day the landowner instructs his manager to pay the workers beginning with the last hired to the first hired. They all receive a full day's pay! Naturally all the workers who had worked all day thought they would be paid more than those who had worked just one hour. The landowner says to the workers who were hired first in the day: "I agreed with you for a daily wage, take your pay and go." I will pay whatever I wish to the other workers. A day's pay is food for a day and they all needed food for a day. Remember we are told at the beginning of the story that the Kingdom of Heaven is like a landowner who hired labourers. God knows that we all need food for a day.

We all need food for a day.

This is the first time at a Vesper Service that I am going to relate scripture to Masonry. In this case the 33rd degree. I am sure that when you were appointed as an Honorary Inspector General, there were those who said: 'we have been carrying this Valley for years, how come this young guy gets the honour?'

The Supreme Council does as it wills, in its wisdom, just as the landowner did. Let me tell you about my appointment as a Canon of the Church. Both appointments are similar as they are both honorary but are not a graduation and both require further leadership and hard work to be provided to the granting organization. Canon Mackison and I belong to different Dioceses of the Anglican Church, but I am sure the requirements of further service and leadership are the same. After I had been appointed a Canon, I was visiting a lady who was about 95 years old and when you reach that age you say what is on your mind. The lady allowed that I was too young to be appointed a Canon of the Church. But I did officiate at her funeral, when she was 101 years old. The organizations are different but not the comments.

Today we still hear comments about pay rates. There are many advocates for equal pay for equal work. Employers want to pay inexperienced workers less money than more experienced workers. Unions think that if you do the same job, no matter your experience, the pay should be the same.

We all need food for a day.

God cares for all his people and is generous beyond our understanding. We pray for our daily bread in God's universal prayer and God does provide our daily bread. Yet we are aware of many who experience upheaval and uncertainty in their lives this very day (refugees. flood victims, victims of famines and wars). From the Exodus reading today we understand that God is near and listening to those who are hungry, anxious, dislocated. In a foreign land, and with no clear plan for the future just as the people of Israel were in the wilderness. In the reading from

Matthew today we heard of God's absolute gift of generosity. In the Kingdom of Heaven, the King is generous and that his gifts are freely given without conditions. They cannot be earned!

God provides food for a day!

God provides for His people! The people of Israel were in the wilderness complaining that they had no bread or meat to eat. They said that God should have left them in slavery in Egypt where at least they had a crust of bread to eat. Actually, they said "the flesh pots of Egypt and ate their fill of bread": That sounds too good for slavery – our memories are always better than the facts (and as us storytellers say: 'Never let the facts get in the way of a good story'). God hears their concerns and sent Manna-Bread from Heaven each morning. The people were to gather enough for their household to be used that day. If they gathered more than needed and tried to save it overnight, the Manna rotted! God wanted his people to learn that God would provide their daily bread. Each evening a flock of quail covered the camp, providing meat to eat. The people were told to gather a two day supply of bread and meat on the sixth day, before the Sabbath. As we all know God rests on the seventh day and would not be providing bread or meat on the Sabbath Day. Now there is a lesson for all! In both the scripture passages today we learn that God does provide – "Food for a day!"

In the Kingdom of Heaven there is nothing to earn as we are all hired for the last hour of the day- regardless of what we may have done or for how long! Do not be jealous of the gifts God has given others. Look and see that your own cup is full to overflowing! As people of Faith we are all equal recipients of God's gifts, which cannot be earned, cannot be earned.

God provides food for a day! AMEN

Formal Opening ~ Conferral of the 33°

The Formal Opening and the Conferral of the Degree of Honorary Inspectors-General was held in the Cartier ABC, Marriott Chateau Champlain, Montréal, Québec on Thursday, September 14 at 3:00pm in accordance with Art. 17(b) of the Statues of Supreme Council.

The Candidates and Guests had been admitted before the Opening. Candidates were seated in the Southeast while their presenters were seated in the Northeast. Guests with their 33° who were admitted prior to the Opening were seated in the East.

The 33° was conferred upon 47 candidates

Stephen Hazen Allen
Kaled Almadini
Benjamin Richard Bauch
Dwight Brainerd Blyden-Taylor
James William Bowick
Darren Joshua Byrne
Donald Glenwood Coates
Edward John Codack
Brentnall Gordon Collins
Jeffrey Edward Davidson
Brian Donald Dayman
William Ralph Denison
Peter Mason Fisher
Leonard Stanley Fraser
Jean-Ronald Georges
Whitman Joseph Giffin
Calvin Lloyd Goodman
Robert George Gordon
Donald Fredrick Hart
Scott Douglas Howie
James Darryl Hunt
William Austin Hunter
Bruce Malcolm Jardine
Brian Thomas Kiernan
Jacques Lacourse
Ian Maxwell LaFleur
Joseph Winnett Lewis
William Henry Ley
Richard John Maloney
Arthur James McDonald
Ronald Joseph Muha
Benson Frederick Mullen
Robert Allan Ough
William Kim Parkyn
Mark Fisher Pogue
Maurice Brett Rakuson
John Charles Revell
Norris Jonathan Reynolds
James Scott Rowe
Brian Ross Siegfried
Terrance Ernest Skelton
Dennis John Skuce
Kenneth Earl Slawson
Leonard Randle Timmins
Graeme Gardner Wallace
James Munroe Wilson
Allen Wingrave

The representative candidate was Ill. Bro. Jean-Ronald Georges, Valley of Montréal.

Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation Banquet

Thursday Evening, September 14, 2017

The Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation's Banquet was held at the Marriott Chateau Champlain, in the Ballroom at 7:00pm with Ill. Bro. Gareth R. Taylor, 33°, President – Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation presiding.

Mr. Cameron Stevens piped the Special Tables, Guests and Directors into the Ballroom.

Following the toast to the piper by Grand Prior, Michael D.H. Farr, 33° the blessing was offered.

The President then toasted the Queen and the Craft after the singing of the Royal Anthem and then proposed a toast to the Office of Head of State of Jurisdictions Represented.

The President then welcomed everyone to the SRCF Banquet.

Following the dinner, the evening unfolded with the following:

Special Awards
Ill. Bro. Gareth R. Taylor, 33°

Introduction of Guest Speaker
Ill. Bro. James G. Finch, 33°

Guest Speaker
Mr. Patrick McKenna, Comedian and TV Star

Thank You to Guest Speaker
Ill. Bro. Brian W. Gilkinson, 33°

Final Remarks
Ill. Bro. Gareth R. Taylor, 33°

Closing Prayer
Ill. Bro. Michael D. H. Farr, 33°

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Piper: Mr. Cameron Stevens
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SGC: Good morning, brethren. We had a very busy, but enjoyable, time on Thursday. We had the vesper service, we conferred the 33rd Degree on 47 new Honorary Inspectors-General, and we had an outstanding and enjoyable banquet last evening, hosted by Ill. Bro. Gareth Taylor and the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation. I trust you enjoyed the banquet? **(Applause)**

This morning it is going to be more relaxed, with an opportunity to meet our distinguished guests, and we are going to have a presentation by Ill. Bro. Arturo de Hoyos, which I know every one of us is looking forward to.

At this time I would call for a motion to approve all reports, Grand Secretary-General.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Bob Brethour, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° for the approval of all reports published in the Preliminary Reports.

SGC: You've heard the motion properly moved and seconded. Any questions? I'll call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Now I would ask the Grand Master of Ceremonies to retire.

GMoC Gilkinson: Sovereign Grand Commander, it is my privilege to introduce to you and through you to the brethren present, Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother André Boivin, Grand Lodge of Québec.

SGC: Grand Master, what a pleasure it is to receive you.

GM Boivin: Nice to be here. It's a pleasure.

SGC: Thank you for joining us, with your busy schedule, and we have met on many occasions and we have had some good discussions.

GM Boivin: We have, indeed.

SGC: Thank you. Would you like to bring some words of welcome in the East?

GM Boivin: Sure. Sovereign Grand Commander, distinguished East, Illustrious Brethren, it is a pleasure for me to be here this morning at your Annual Communication of the Supreme Council, and to represent the Grand Lodge of Québec. On behalf of the Grand Lodge of Québec, I bring you greetings.

As a 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Mason, for me it is a distinct pleasure to be here at your Supreme Council. I thank you for the invitation.

From what I have gathered from speaking with some of you, the Sessions have gone extremely well for you this week and I'm sure that today will be no different. I think congratulations are due to the chairman of the Organizing Committee and his team.

Now, this year marks the 150th anniversary of Canada. The Supreme Council is closing in on that milestone, and it is quite a testament to the forebears who have forged a legacy with the Scottish Rite, bringing it to where it is today.

However, we have to be diligent. We all face challenges, and as we have clearly noted in our Grand Lodge it is difficult to get brethren into the Craft and, by extension, into the Concordant Bodies. I am sure you have seen that in your own jurisdictions. The Grand Lodge is working very hard at the present time to try to address this.

Now, I was reading one of your Communiqués that came out of your Education and Enlightenment Committee. It dealt with the 80-20 principle, and this apparently was something that came out back in the early 1900's by an Italian gentleman who was obviously learned in the subject. He put forward the fact that in any organization, whether it be fraternal, governmental or otherwise, there are only 20% who are Active, and 80% who are not. And out of the 20% who are Active, they do 80% of the work. That is a reality, and we've all seen it in our own Lodges and, as well, in the Scottish Rite.

Now, to bring the whole into focus, if we look at the Craft Lodges we have 20% of Masons that we can go after, the Active Masons, to join the Scottish Rite, or, by extension, the York Rite or the Shrine.

Out of that 20%, if we split it evenly, you are only getting a third of that 20% coming forward into the Scottish Rite, so we, as a Grand Lodge, have a lot of work to do. There is a symbiosis that takes place between the Concordant Bodies and the Grand Lodge and it's very, very important that the Grand Lodges work with the Concordant Bodies to ensure that our fraternity remains very strong.

I can only speak for the Grand Lodge of Québec when I say that we are focused in that direction. We have established a long-term strategic plan to address not only the attraction of Members into the Craft, but more importantly, the retention.

Going back to the 80-20 principle, retention is only part of the recipe. The other side of it is to get those 80% who are not active to come back out. That is where the work takes place for the Grand Lodge and we are working towards that.

I can only speak for myself, but I'm sure all Grand Masters feel the same way: That we regard the Concordant Bodies, York Rite and Scottish Rite, as an integral part of Freemasonry. We need to forge ahead, we need to work together and I'm looking forward to my two years in office, as I have just been elected, to be able to do so, and hopefully to have closer ties with the Grand Commander in advancing the cause of Freemasonry within our Jurisdiction.

Thank you all.

SGC: Join me in the East. Thank you very much, Grand Master.

I would also like to introduce Ill. Bro. Paul Todd, if he's with us this morning. Is Paul with us? Very good.

Paul is the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, and I would like to invite him to the East, if he wishes, or he can have the option to sit where he is.

GM Todd: I want to sit with Bob Tate, please.

SGC: Well, that's understandable, Grand Master.

I would also like to acknowledge all the Past Grand Masters who are with us this morning, as well as the Past District Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

So would all Past Grand Masters please rise? Thank you very much, brethren. **(Applause)**

Thank you for your leadership in the Craft, as well as in the Supreme Council. Thank you very much.

I would like to bring greetings and welcome to those who were not in the Session on Thursday, and the minutes of the 2016 Session in St. John's, as published in your proceedings and distributed, have been adopted in Executive Session and approved.

Grand Secretary-General, will you now call the roll of the Actives and Past Active Members in attendance.

The Grand Secretary-General proceeded with the Roll Call of the Active Members in attendance.
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The Grand Secretary-General proceeded with the Roll Call of the Past Active Members in attendance.
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SGC: Would you read the Actives and Past Active Members not in attendance.

The Grand Secretary-General proceeded with the Roll Call of the Active Members not in attendance.
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SGC: Grand Secretary-General, do you have a motion at this time?

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Bob Brethour, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33° that the Supreme Council offering taken in General Session be forwarded to the almoners of the Valley of Montréal.

SGC: Brethren, you have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Grand Secretary-General, please read the list of regrets from Members of Sister Councils in Amity and Concordant Bodies.

GSG: Sovereign Grand Commander, we have received regrets from the following brethren:
Supreme Council of England and Wales, Sovereign Grand Commander Alan John Englefield
Supreme Council of Scotland, Sovereign Grand Commander J.M. Marcus Humphrey of Dinnet
Supreme Council of Brazil, Sovereign Grand Commander Luis F.R. Torres
Supreme Council of Australia, Past Sovereign Grand Commander Jack Ball
Sovereign Great Priory of Canada, Supreme Grand Master David P. Hardie

SGC: Thank you, Grand Secretary-General.

Ill. Bros. Grand Marshall and the Grand Master of Ceremonies, you will now perform your duties.

Grand Marshal: Will the brethren from the Southern Jurisdiction of the USA please join me on the level.

GMoC: Sovereign Grand Commander, it is my privilege to introduce to you, and through you to the brethren present, Ill. Ronald A. Seale, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Southern Jurisdiction of the U.S.A. and an Honorary Member of this Supreme Council; Ill. James D. Cole, 33°, Lieutenant Grand Commander and Sovereign Grand Inspector-General in Virginia, Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.; and Ill. Arturo de Hoyos, 33°, Grand Archivist and Grand Historian for the Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.

SGC: Commander Seale, it is always a pleasure to welcome you into our Supreme Council.

SGC Seale: Thank you. Good morning.

SGC: It's nice to have you with us today.

Brother Jim. See, Jim is a loo-ten-ant and Rob is a left-ten-ant, but they're both nice guys.

And Art, it's great to see you today. We are looking forward to your presentation.

Ill. Bro. de Hoyos: Thank you.

SGC: Commander Seale, you are going to say a few words?

SGC Seale: Good morning. Sovereign Grand Commander, Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Most Worshipful the Grand Master somewhere out there, brethren all, it is a pleasure to be back with you folks in Montréal.

This Supreme Council is very, very special to me. I have been coming for many years and have made so many friends here, and you go out of your way to make us feel welcome and accepted and a part of the group, and for that we thank you.

It is certainly my honour, along with Brother Jim Cole, Brother Art de Hoyos, to represent our colleagues not only on the Supreme Council, but throughout the Southern Jurisdiction.

I'll leave you with just one thought: You know, yesterday we had a marvellous vesper service and our Grand Prior delivered, for me, a very special message about; we come and receive food for a day. By the end of the banquet last night I started to go to Michael and say I received food for several days, but...but here may be a food for thought for one day that you can chew on. Yesterday, as we started the 33rd Degree, we got started and the conductor went out to get the candidate. Some of us settled in, some of us looked at our watch, a couple folks tied their shoes, somebody looked around for a more comfortable chair, the Degree came, had their eyes on the ceiling, frantically repeating their part to themselves, and one of those little jewels flew by. Did you hear what the conductor said at the door? That Candidate is anxious. In our ritual we say, 'He hopes not to have lived in vain'.

And there it is. If you didn't catch it, it got away from you. And so we gather in places like this all across Canada, from sea to sea, in the U.S. from sea to sea, and we gather around altars, some very ornate, some very humble, and the Great Light according to the dictates of our faith is open. And men just like me and you hope, are anxious not to have lived in vain.

Would it not be that that is our mission; that the Grand Master spoke so compellingly about a moment ago? To bring people into an organization in which they meet with men of like purpose and like design and say, as I set forth on the rest of my journey, be it one day or many years, I hope, I'm anxious not to have lived in vain.

I submit to you therein is our purpose for being here and therein is our purpose for encouraging one another and supporting one another, and therein is the purpose of our being.

Thanks very much. It's good to be with you folks. Thank you so much.

Grand Marshal: Will the brethren from the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the U.S.A. please join me on the level.

GMoC: Sovereign Grand Commander, it is my privilege to introduce to you, and through you to the brethren present, Ill. David A. Glattly, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, U.S.A.; Ill. John T. Phillips, 33°, Grand Lieutenant Commander and Deputy for Illinois, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, U.S.A.; and Ill. Gail N. Kemp, 33°, Emeritus Member, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, U.S.A.

SGC: Commander Glattly, it's great to receive you in the Supreme Council. I really enjoyed your Session, it was in Rochester, New York, and that was the changing of the guard.

SGC Glattly: Yes.

SGC: And you've been on the job for about two weeks. How's it going?

SGC Glattly: Good so far.

SGC: Very good. John, pleasure meeting you again. We have met before. John is a retired judge and also a Ritualist Supreme. I'm glad you're here with us.

GLC Phillips: Thank you, Sovereign Grand Commander.

SGC: And Gail, I remember you in St. John's and we met many times. It's great to have you up here.

Ill. Bro. Kemp: Good to be here.

SGC: Commander Glattly, would you like to bring us a welcome?

SGC Glattly: I would be happy to. Illustrious Sovereign Grand Commander, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Most Worshipful Grand Master, illustrious brethren all, good morning.

It is certainly a pleasure to be here with you, and as Illustrious Sovereign Grand Commander said, I'm the rookie. You know, two weeks ago I was installed as the new Sovereign Grand Commander, replacing Illustrious John William McNaughton, but, you know, you need to start somewhere.

It is a pleasure to be here, my first official visit as the Sovereign Grand Commander of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.

You know what's interesting between our Supreme Councils is, we all do the same thing differently. Now, that sounds like an old George Carlin joke, we both do the same thing differently, but we really do. But the end result is all the same and we are one and the same in brotherhood throughout not only North America, but throughout the world.

You know, the vision statement of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction for the past few years, and will continue to be the same, basically says that we took an oath at that altar and we promised to abide by that and take care of our Members. We are a fraternity first that takes care of our Members.

With that, Sovereign Grand Commander McNaughton really extended our Grand Almoners fund several years ago to take care of our brothers, to take care of our brothers in need. We do that throughout our Jurisdiction whether they are a Scottish Rite Member or not, we take care of all Masons.

A few years ago when Hurricane Sandy hit New Jersey, I was the boots-on-the-ground for Scottish Rite, working with our Grand Lodge to take care of our brothers and Masonic families that were in trouble there.

So I know what's going on in Florida and in Texas right now with our Masonic brothers there, and we have extended a helping hand with Commander Seale and with Commander Seale's people in the field. So we're there to assist as best we can.

You know, in Florida we sure have a lot of our Northern Masonic Jurisdiction Members that reside there, to the tune of somewhere between five and six thousands of them. So right now

we have all our Valley Secretaries checking on them to see if they are okay and what we can do to help them.

My first experience with the Almoners Fund was several years ago when Hurricane Irene came through New Jersey and New York, and about a day or two after the hurricane they opened up the dams upstate and wound up flooding a lot of houses in Northern New Jersey.

One of the houses that got flooded belonged to a brother named Lou, who was Master of his Lodge at the time. The water came up so swiftly and all he could do was evacuate the house, he lost everything, including his truck parked in the back with all his carpenter's tools, because he was a carpenter.

So I heard about this a little bit after the fact and it turns out it's close to Christmas time now and I said 'Well, let me see what our Almoner's Fund will do'. I was new at it.

So I called Commander McNaughton and I said, 'Commander, it looks like we have a brother in trouble and here's what happened to him', and I explained the whole story that basically he had nothing left, he had to rebuild his house, had no tools to do his vocation.

Commander said, 'Okay, how much do you want?' I'm, like, 'Ah, I don't know. Can I ask for three or five thousand dollars?' And he said, 'I think you're light, so I'm sending you a cheque for ten thousand dollars.' So, I said, 'Great'.

Within a couple of days I had a cheque made out to this Brother Lou for ten thousand dollars. So I called him. Now it's the week before Christmas. And I said, 'Lou, I understand you had some trouble'. 'Oh, yeah, yeah'.

Now, he's not a Scottish Rite Mason. And I said, 'I would like to drop a little envelope off at your house on behalf of Scottish Rite'. And he said, 'Well, I'm actually working in your neighbourhood, I know where you live. Can I stop by at five o'clock?' I said, 'Sure'. So he stopped by my house at five o'clock, and I say, 'Lou, you want a beer? 'Yeah, I'll have a beer', so I gave him a beer.

I had written a card and folded the cheque over in the card, in the envelope, and I handed it to him. He said, 'Oh, thank you'. He put it in his pocket. I said 'Well, you can open the card'. 'Oh, okay'.

He opens the card and reads it, puts it back in his pocket. I said, 'You can open the cheque'. So he opens the cheque and here's a cheque for ten thousand dollars made out to him the week of Christmas, and he's got two little kids at home. And he stood there, and this big, tough carpenter started to cry. So I started to cry. I put my hand on his shoulder and I said, 'Lou, this is because we're Brother Masons. That's why we do this'. And he said, 'Thank you'. I said, 'Do you want another beer?' 'Oh, yeah, I'll have another beer'.

On his way out the door he said, 'Well, I guess I'm joining Scottish Rite, now'. I said, 'You don't have to, we're doing this as brothers, but you're more than welcome'.

So that's my first story of being able to help a brother and give him a cheque, and that's when you feel Masonry in your heart. You really do.

I hope all of you, sometime, get an opportunity to be able to help that brother, because then you really feel Freemasonry even stronger than you ever felt it before. With that I say, thank you so much. Thanks for letting me share that little story with you, and it's a pleasure to be here.

Thank you.

SGC: Speaking about helping brothers, on behalf of the Supreme Council I would like to make a donation to Commander Seale to help the brothers in Houston and the Gulf and in Florida, on behalf of our Supreme Council.

Ill. Bro. Seale: Thank you. Thank you, brethren.

Grand Marshal: Would our visitor from the Supreme Council, Germany please join me on the level.

GMoC: Sovereign Grand Commander, it is my privilege to introduce to you, and through you to the brethren present, Ill. Bro. Eberhardt Desch, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander, the Supreme Council of Germany.

SGC: Sovereign Grand Commander Desch, welcome. You are a frequent visitor here to Canada. I first met you in 2005, I guess, at the World Conference in Toronto. It's always a pleasure to have you here.

SGC Desch: Thank you.

SGC: Would you like to bring some welcome?

SGC Desch: Most Puissant Sovereign Grand Commander, Most Worshipful Grand Master, dear brethren all, I bring greetings from the Supreme Council for Germany and all the brethren of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite there.

As we heard, we do the same, but doing in a different way. Freemasonry may be seen as a seed which develops in a different way according to the soil and the environment. It is the chain of international brotherhood which is exemplary in the Scottish Rite which leads me here, and I must say I feel at home. I think that's a key notion of Freemasonry, to feel at home, to give home to all seekers, be it only a seeker looking for the more superficial aspects of fraternity, or the seekers who may be called the seekers for the Lost Word and the Guardians of the Mysteries. It is wonderful to have such an organization which keeps all these seekers under its bow and its beautiful ring.

This home, paradoxically, sends us on the path to be purified from our vices. As we heard in our Rituals, it's the votus of purification, and on the other way the fire of dedication, enthusiasm for the wonders of the Royal Arch of Masonry.

Together, water and fire built according to our tradition, in a way, the Lost Word and it's our search for the Lost Word. It's a wonderful way we are going together. To have company in this way and to build together a fraternity which does a lot more than be together. It is building maybe a Body of Light, enlightened humanity and helps those who need help.

It is a great pleasure to be here. I am very grateful, Sovereign Grand Commander, for the generous hospitality and I wish you all the best and hope to be here again. Thank you.

Grand Marshal: Will the guests on the dais from the other Concordant Masonic Bodies please join me on the level.

GMoC: Sovereign Grand Commander, it is my privilege to introduce to you, and through you to the brethren present, Most Excellent Companion François Labrie, Grand First Principal, Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Québec; Most Ill. Knight Companion Thomas A. Mortlock, 33°, Grand Sovereign of the Masonic and Military Order of the Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine, Grand Imperial Conclave of Canada and a member of the Supreme Council; Right Worshipful Brother Donald C. Ross, 33°, Provincial Grand Master for Québec, Royal Order of Scotland, and a member of this Supreme Council; Ill. Sir Jean-Baptiste Djigounian, 33°,

Potentate of Karnak Shriners of Québec and a member of this Supreme Council; and Dad Ernest Loiselle, 18°, President of DeMolay Canada and an Executive Officer for DeMolay, Ontario.

SGC: Welcome, brethren. It's always wonderful to have the leadership of the Concordant Bodies with us. Brother Don, Brother Tom, Jean-Baptiste, François, it's a pleasure meeting you. And Dad Ernie, great to see you.

I believe Brother Don is going to bring some greetings.

GM Ross: Yes, sir.

SGC: Thank you. Follow me.

GM Ross: Sovereign Grand Commander, Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Illustrious East and brethren all, on behalf of the Members of the Royal Order of Scotland in the Province of Québec, I thank you very much for your gracious remarks. It is indeed a great honour for me and the Royal Order to be welcomed in this distinguished gathering and to address you on behalf of all the Concordant Bodies.

Our Members are devoted Freemasons, active in their Lodges as well as in Concordant Bodies. Many Members are in attendance today and I know they have been much involved in helping to make this Session a successful one.

I bring you greetings from Sir Archibald Donald Orr Ewing, Deputy Grand Master and Governor of the Order, and best wishes for a successful Session.

On a side note, your last visit to our fair city was in 1998. Much has changed since then, and particularly the addition of a new Shrine Hospital, which I hope many of you have an opportunity to visit.

On behalf of all the Concordant Bodies we welcome you to Montréal. I trust you will enjoy your stay as much as those who visited in 1998. Thank you.

Grand Marshal: Will the Representative from the Valley of Montréal please join us.

GMoC: Sovereign Grand Commander, it is my privilege to introduce to you, and through you to the brethren present, Ill. Bro. Jean-Denis Boudreault, 32°, Thrice Puissant Grand Master of the Hochelaga Grand Lodge of Perfection; Ill. Bro. George Contaxakis, 32°, Most Wise Sovereign, Hochelaga Sovereign Chapter of Rose Croix; Ill. Bro. Fayez Oustwani, 33°, Commander-in-Chief of the Montréal Sovereign Consistory; and Ill. Bro. Gabriel Voicu, 32°, Commander-in-Chief La Consistoire du Phénix.

SGC: Welcome to Supreme Council. Fayez, pleased to meet you again, Gabriel, George and Jean-Denis. Very good.

I want to thank you for your leadership that you provide in the Valley of Montréal. It's very much appreciated.

Ill. Bro. Voicu: Ill. Bro. Terry McLean, Sovereign Grand Commander; Most Worshipful Brother André Boivin, Grand Master; Active and Past Active Members of Supreme Council, distinguished guests, brethren.

The following was delivered in French and English

The Consistory of Phoenix, the French wing of the Valley of Montréal is very young. Its history begins in 2011, the date of its foundation. It took a lot of effort to make it grow and my predecessor had great merit in that.

We have already had two classes that passed the 32nd Degrees in French. During all this time the French wing had the permanent support from our brother English wing.

You know very well the resources needed for a 32nd Degree, therefore, with Degrees between 4th and 18th, the Lodge is very strong and mature. It is very difficult to think a 32nd Degree without the help of the English wing. The unity and harmony between the brothers of the two wings represent a truth that no longer needs to be proven. In fact, during this period I have felt several times that there is no English or French language in our Valley, it is always the language of Masonry that speaks and is universal.

Thank you very much. Merci beaucoup.

Ill. Bro. Oustwani: Ill. Bro. Terry McLean, Sovereign Grand Commander; Most Worshipful Brother André Boivin, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Québec; Active and Past Active Members of Supreme Council, distinguished guests and brethren all, as Commander-in-Chief on behalf of the Montréal Consistory, the Chapter of Rose Croix and the Hochelaga Grand Lodge of Perfection, I would like to welcome all of you, our Illustrious visitors who have come from so far and wide to the Valley of Montréal. Bien venue.

As most of you already know, and as Brother Voicu just said, we are a little different in the Valley of Montréal, as we have two sides, or two wings, and we have six distinct Bodies, two Consistories, two Chapters of Rose Croix, and two Lodges of Perfection who work in two different languages for the benefit of the brethren, for them to easier understand the work and to get more involved.

I won't repeat what Brother Voicu said, but I will stress the fact that we are very unified and we work together with a very high level of harmony and cooperation, which I find conveniently best depicted by our General Scottish Rite Emblem of the double-headed eagle. One Body with two heads, one French and one English.

Of course, putting humour aside, the true meaning of that magnificent symbol has a far deeper significance which would merit a discussion on its own.

In a world ever so divided along ethnic and sectarian lines, Masonry is ever so united over all of the habitable surface of the globe, spreading the light of its message of universality, bringing under its banner men of various faiths and nationalities, ever marching towards its noble goal, the regeneration of humanity, a duty we have all sworn to undertake in Scottish Rite.

We here in the Valley of Montréal, and probably more than any other Valley, enjoy a membership of brethren from a various array of backgrounds all working together in great harmony and brotherly love and in turn, reflect that light outwards to the outside world.

To conclude, we here at the Valley of Montréal were so honoured and delighted to host this Annual Session. I personally truly enjoyed working with such an incredibly fine and friendly group of gentlemen, true icons of what a real Mason should be.

So on behalf of the Montréal Valley I would like to reiterate to the Supreme Council our continued allegiance and support. And once again, and since your last Annual Session here in Montréal almost twenty years ago, welcome to your other home, as every Scottish Rite Valley is home to every Scottish Rite Mason whosesoever disbursed he may be.

Thank you.

SGC: Thank you for your presentations. Very much appreciated.

I will now ask the Grand Secretary-General to call the roll of Grand Representatives, and as he calls your name would you please rise, say present and remain in place. When I seat you, I will ask Ill. Bro. Sam Kalinowski, Past Active Member, to reply on behalf of the Grand Representatives.

Roll Call of the Grand Representatives was called and regrets given for those absent.

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SGC: Ill. Bro. Kalinowski, the floor is yours.

Ill. Bro. Kalinowski: Sovereign Grand Commander, Grand Master Québec, Grand Master Ontario, peers and brethren, it is indeed a singular honour and privilege to respond on behalf of the collective Grand Representatives of our Supreme Council. We continue to foster healthy and positive fraternal relations with some sixty diverse Grand Jurisdictions around the world. With them we share common philosophies and common ideals.

While there always be some differences, we all strive to overcome them. We are many, but we try to speak in a single, harmonious voice.

We pledge ourselves, our honour and our dignity to preserve, to enhance and to maintain our shared fundamental tenets and principles in a spirit of universal inclusivity.

Thank you.

SGC: Ill. Bro. John Teleske, would you meet me on the level. Ill. Bro. Teleske, it gives me great honour and pleasure to present you with your certificate from the Supreme Council of Turkey. Have you ever been there?

Ill. Bro. Teleske: I have not, Sovereign Grand Commander, but I will be soon for good reason.

SGC: Very good. Congratulations, John.

Ill. Bro. Teleske: Thank you very much.

GSG: Sovereign Grand Commander, we did receive one other certificate from the Supreme Council of England and Wales, and it is for none other than Ill. Bro. Terry A. McLean.

SGC: Very good. Thank you very much. Much appreciated. Thank you very much, Bob.

Ill. Bro. Eberhardt, would you meet me on the level.

Ill. Bro. Eberhardt, on behalf of our Supreme Council I would like to present you with your honorary life membership. You have been a frequent traveller, as I mentioned before. You have been here in Windsor and you are now back in Montréal, and you said you would like to come next year, but you've got another engagement. So we welcome you to our Supreme Council.

Ill. Bro. Desch: Thank you.

SGC: Brethren, we are now going to take a five minute break, but please don't all evacuate because we are going to just make some room and make some adjustments for our guest speaker presentation.

At this time I would ask the Ill. Grand Prior would he please attend to close the Volume of the Sacred Law.

The brethren down in the West will probably have to turn their chairs around to see the screen at the back.

Intermission

SGC: Brethren, please be seated. Ill. Bro. Grand Master of Ceremonies, would please introduce our guest speaker.

GMoC: Sovereign Grand Commander, distinguished guests and brethren, shortly after Ill. Bro. Terry McLean assigned me the privilege of introducing Ill. Bro. Arturo de Hoyos as the guest speaker at this Annual Session, he demonstrated his characteristic willingness to assist by suggesting I Google a video entitled, 'An Evening in Memphis: An Evening with Arturo de Hoyos', for some assistance in formulating an introduction for today.

In that meeting of the Southern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite, Ill. Bro. Dean Alban, 33°, of the Southern Jurisdiction and its Director of Membership Services, introduced his friend and colleague. When he asked Ill. Bro. de Hoyos how he would like to be introduced, his response was: 'Tell them I'm that guy who does that thing'.

So not all our mysteries are ancient, that's a new one, because I'm going to have to discover what that 'thing' is that he had in mind.

He's the Grand Archivist and Grand Historian of the Supreme Council of the Southern Jurisdiction, he is also its Director of the Department of Education and Heritage. He has authored, edited and translated numerous books, articles and publications in Freemasonry, he frequently contributed articles to Heredom, the Annual Transaction of the Scottish Rite Research Society. He is also the Grand Archivist and Chairman of Publication of the Grand College of Rites, an organization dedicated to the preservation and study of disused and quasi-Masonic Rituals. He has edited its Annual Transaction Collectanea since 1994.
He monitors international Masonic relations and advises the Supreme Council on regulatory, statutory and constitutional matters.

His office is located in the beautiful House of the Temple in Washington, D.C., and according to Illustrious Brother Alban he is always there before the crack of dawn. It is a wonder, with all that he accomplishes, that he ever returns home in the evening.

It is obvious from this profile that I found on LinkedIn that Brother de Hoyos is one of the world's leading authorities on the history, philosophy, ritual, symbolism and purposes of Freemasonry. He is one of only three people who have been invited to the Vatican by the Roman Catholic Church to discuss Freemasonry, and we are very privileged to have him here today to enrich our Masonic experience.

I am just tired reading everything he does, I don't know how he feels. But I think, to put it succinctly, this is Brother Arturo de Hoyos, that man who does all those things. Would you please give him a warm welcome?

To see Illustrious Brother Arturo de Hoyos, riveting and informative presentation, go to:

http://www.scottishritecanada.ca/early-scots-masonry-scottish-rite-arturo-de-hoyos-33/

or https://vimeo.com/235470980

Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill Bro. Terry McLean thanked Ill. Bro. Arturo de Hoyos for his informative talk and presented him with a copy of the History of our Supreme Council of Canada and the 50th Anniversary of our Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation. He was also presented with a donation in his name to the House of the Temple and one of our Celebratory Ties.

Intermission

SGC: Brethren, resume your seats, please. Brethren, please take your seats. Ill. Grand Prior, please attend the altar to open the Volume of the Sacred Law.

Illustrious Brother Brown, I will turn the gavel over to you.

ALLOCUTION to follow on page 131

SGC: I will now call upon our Grand Prior, Ill. Bro. Michael Farr, to conduct the memorial service.

Grand Prior: As we begin today I would like to thank Ill. Bros. Petrisor and Adamson for their contribution to this service today.

Let not your hearts be troubled, you believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. We brought nothing into this world and it is certain we can carry nothing out. The Lord gave and the lord hath taken away. Blessed be the name of the Lord. The eternal God is your refuge and underneath are the everlasting arms.

Ill. Bro. Petrisor: Sings "The Lord is My Shepherd"

Grand Prior: A reading from the Book of the Wisdom of Solomon:

> The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God and there shall no torment touch them.
> In the sight of the unwise they seem to die and their departure is taken for misery and their going from us to be utter destruction. But they are in peace.
> For though they be punished in the sight of men, yet is their hope full of immortality.
> And having been a little chastened, they shall be greatly rewarded for God proved them and found them worthy for Himself.
> As gold in the furnace hath He tried them and received them as a burnt offering.
> And in the time of their visitation they shall shine and run to and fro like sparks among the stubble.
> They shall judge the nations and have dominion over the people, and their Lord shall reign forever and ever.
> The word of the Lord.

We gather together this day in the presence of God to give thanks for and to celebrate the life of the 33° Masons who have gone on before us in this past year. We have also come to say good bye to them and to give thanks to God that He has received them into His kingdom with all His saints. All their friends and family will know what they have contributed to their lives, and they will have those memories of them for the rest of their lives.

Looking over the list of those who have gone before, two in particular, two good friends, and their names jumped out at me and although I knew them both through Masonry, I also knew them both as workers in the Anglican Church. Now, that shouldn't surprise anybody, should it?

Norm Lansdell, from a farm near Thamesford, Ontario, was one hundred years old when he passed, an Affiliated Member with my Mother Lodge, Active Member in Scottish Rite in London Valley and a good friend. He played a mean mandolin.

Dixon Winder was a lawyer and I had the honour on one occasion to actually consult him about something. He served as Grand Prelate in Chapter Rose Croix in London for many years.

I just enjoyed any time I had to meet with either one of these brothers.

When you get the list of those who have passed, as you look down that list I am sure there will be people – I hope there are people that you know and you will have your memories of those folks for the rest of your lives.

It is difficult to say good bye to people that we know and love and will see no longer, but their death will leave an emptiness in our lives that only God and time are able to fill and heal. But our joy is that God and time do fill and heal that emptiness.

Let us pray.

> Lord, teach us to count our days so that we may live wisely in Your love, which is our true home in life and death. Help us to let go of the things that are keeping us from living truthfully and gracefully in Your mercy and love. Guide us to treasure our days and apply our hearts to Your wisdom.
> Amen.

> Almighty God, Father of mercies, giver of comfort, deal graciously, we pray, with those who mourn, that casting all their cares on you they may know the consolation of Your love. This we ask in the name of God.
> Amen.

Praying together the universal prayer:

> Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
> Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
> Give us this day, our daily bread
> And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.
> And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
> For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.
> Amen.

SGC: Thank you, Ill. Bro. Grand Prior, for that service.

After the Allocution

IPSGC Brown: Brethren, the Sovereign Grand Commander turned over the gavel to me while he was giving his Allocution, but I'm not giving it back to him yet.

He mentioned in his Allocution a number of actions he took, and referenced the Statutes. In particular, 22 (t), which states:

> To do all other acts and perform all other duties as in his judgment the interest of the Rite may require and at the Annual Session next succeeding, report the same to the Supreme Council for confirmation.

So there were several things in his Allocution that require our confirmation, the first being his reappointment of Ill. Bro. Alan Stoddart and Ill. Bro. David Hooper as Special Assistants.

I believe there is a motion forthcoming on that.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Harold Crosby, 33° and Matt Todd, 33° that these appointments be confirmed.

IPSGC Brown: Thank you. Brethren, you have heard the motion proposed and seconded. Are there any questions? All those in favour so indicate. Opposed, if any. CARRIED.

There was also the mention of a commemorative 50th Anniversary pin for the Sarnia Lodge of Perfection and I understand that my fellow Past Sovereign Grand Commanders are prepared to move and second that, as well.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Harold Crosby, 33° and Matt Todd, 33° that these appointments be confirmed.

IPSGC Brown: Brethren, you have heard the motion. All those in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

I was listening to your Allocution and the mention of authorizing the conferral of a 33rd Degree other than at an Annual Session, we need confirmation of that, as well.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Harold Crosby, 33° and Matt Todd, 33° that these appointments be confirmed.

IPSGC Brown: Thank you, brethren. All those in favour of confirmation? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

I caught one other thing. That was with respect to an action that you took with respect to the potential candidacy of a 33rd candidate which you withheld. Again, we need confirmation of your action in that regard.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Harold Crosby, 33° and Matt Todd, 33° that these appointments be confirmed.

IPSGC Brown: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Since now we have the Allocution of our Sovereign Grand Commander, it is referred to the Committee of Jurisprudence and Legislation for its discernment, and we need a motion to that effect.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded by Ill. Bros. Harold Crosby, 33° and Matt Todd, 33° that these appointments be confirmed.

IPSGC Brown: Thank you, brethren. You have heard the referral of the Allocution to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Legislation. All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

My duties are done, Sovereign Grand Commander.

SGC: Thank you, Ill. Bro. Brown. Grand Secretary-General, do you have an announcement with regard to the distribution of the Allocution?

GSG: Sovereign Grand Commander and brethren, the Allocution will be available at the close of this morning's Session, in the foyer area.

SGC: Brethren, all reports have been presented, received and approved in Executive Session and copies of the Preliminary Reports have been distributed for all to read.

Grand Secretary-General, are there any announcements?

GSG: There are several, Sovereign Grand Commander.

The Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation directors are asked to assemble for a five minute meeting in the Cartier boardroom. This is down the stairs at this end of the foyer, and it's immediately following the call off of this morning.

At 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. we have a candidate orientation seminar. For those participating, there will be a box lunch provided. This will be in the Viger AB Room, which is on Level A where we

had our reception prior to the banquet last night. Our new candidates are obviously involved, and participating will be Terry McLean, Rob Whitmore, Allard Loopstra, Bob Brethour, Steve Warren, Leslie Drake and, if their time permits from the other meeting, Gareth Taylor and Loren Kline.

Also, from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m., the Audit and Finance Committee and the Provincial Deputies are meeting in Étude Champlain. That is also on the A Level.

For the remainder of the brethren, from 12:00 on is free time this afternoon to enjoy the sights and sounds of Montréal.

We do have the Sovereign Grand Commander's banquet commencing sharp at 7:00 p.m. A reminder of the dress, brethren: For HIGs it is tuxedo; for Sovereign Grand Inspectors-General, white tie and tails, and of course the table numbers are on your name tags.

The reception will be Viger ABC from 6:00 to7:00 p.m. A reminder that the bar will close promptly at 6:45 when all are asked to be seated for the candidates and the special guests to be piped in. The bar will reopen after the initial welcome.

Members of Supreme Council and guests who received invitations for a pre-banquet reception hosted by the Sovereign Grand Commander will gather in the Étude Champlain at 6:00 p.m., again on Level A.

At 6:00 our COO, Steve Warren, will assemble the candidates and their wives. That will be in Le Cafe Conc, which is on Level A, as well. All candidates and ladies must be there before 6:10 for a presentation by the Sovereign Grand Commander and the Lieutenant Grand Commander.

Finally, those brethren with microphones are reminded to turn them in at the sound board prior to leaving the room. Those brethren requiring a microphone tomorrow morning include the following: Terry McLean, Rob Whitmore, Michael Farr, Bob Brethour, John Trousdale, Gareth Taylor, Jeff Dickson and Brian Gilkinson. Brethren, please attend at the sound board first thing tomorrow morning to receive your microphone.

Last, but not least, in the lost and found department some type of USB adapter was found in this room yesterday, if anyone is missing it, and a tuxedo button. So check your tuxedos, brethren.

Those are the announcements, Sovereign Grand Commander.

SGC: Thank you, Ill. Grand Secretary-General.

At this time I am going to suspend labours in General Session. In accordance with the Ritual, I would ask the Ill. Grand Prior to attend at the altar. We will resume on Saturday, 8:30 am for the Executive Session, and 9:00 am for the General Session. So the Executive Session will meet at 8:30, and 9:00the General Session will open.

Ill. Grand Prior, please attend the altar.

Have a good lunch, brethren, and enjoy your free time.

Allocution of the Sovereign Grand Commander
143rd Annual Session ~ Montréal, Québec

Grand Master, Distinguished Guests, Peers and Brethren:

In accordance with the provisions of Article 22(s) of the Statutes and Regulations of the Supreme Council, I am presenting my second Allocution "enumerating all rulings made, permissions and dispensations granted, and important official acts done during the year and recommending the legislation I (he) may deem necessary or expedient for the continued welfare of the Rite."

Bonjour mes chers frères. Comment allez-vous?

May I first offer you a very warm and fraternal welcome to the 143rd Annual Session of our Supreme Council, held this year in the wonderful historic City of Montréal, Québec and hosted by the Valley of Montréal under the chairmanship of Ill. Bro. François Nasraoui, 32°?

The year 2017 is definitely a year of celebrations, Birthdays and Anniversaries. The City of Montréal is celebrating its 375th Birthday and Canada is celebrating its150th. It's the 50th Anniversary of Expo and the 100th Anniversary of the beloved NHL Team, the Montréal Canadiens. It's also the 300th UGLE, the 143rd Supreme Council of Canada and the 40th time our Supreme Council Session has been held in Montréal. Happy Birthday/Anniversary to all who have celebrated one in 2017. What a wonderful time to be a member of the Rite.

To our candidates and their spouses, I extend our congratulations and best wishes on their election to our Supreme Council.

It is also a pleasure to be in the company of our distinguished guests from within Scottish Rite Masonry and from our larger family of Freemasonry. I am particularly pleased that the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Québec, M. W. Bro. André Boivin is with us.

That Was Then
The first European settlement on the site of present day Montréal was established in 1642, when the French administrator, Paul de Chomedey, sieur de Maisonneuve, founded the Mission of Ville-Marie on the banks of the Saint Lawrence River. The community grew as a centre for the fur trading industry and went on from there to become one of Canada's largest cities. It is now a major commercial, manufacturing, transportation and financial centre. The Scottish Rite had its beginnings in Québec in July 1873 where a warrant for Hochelaga Sovereign Chapter of Rose Croix (16 members) at Montréal was issued. On the formation of Supreme Council in 1874 Montréal Sovereign Consistory and Hochelaga Grand Lodge of Perfection were warranted in 1874 and 1875 respectively.

This Is Now
As mentioned the City of Montréal is celebrating its 375th anniversary. It's an exciting, diverse and vibrant city, a city that most of us know little about and some of us know quite a bit about, but a city which interests many people throughout our country and the world. The Valley of Montréal in its 144th year, is now composed of six bodies three English speaking as previously mentioned and three French speaking: La Loge de Perfection Fleur de Lys, Le Chapitre de Rose+Croix du Mont Réal and Le Consistoire du Phénix of which I had the honour of being at its consecration and dedication. All bodies are very vibrant and active and their good works are noticed in the community.

As mentioned earlier, this is the 40th time our Annual Session has been held in Montréal (the first one in 1875, one year after Supreme Council was formed, the last one in 1998 with 601 in attendance and now 2017 with 476 in attendance)

Necrology

It is customary and fitting each year, at our Annual Session of Supreme Council, for us to celebrate the lives of our friends and brothers who were called to be with the Great Architect of the Universe. All will be missed and we give thanks to God our Father for their lives and the love they shared with us. We mourn their passing and join together in the celebration of their lives on earth.

We were saddened to hear of the passing of one of our John Ross Matheson Award Recipients this year. Ill. Bro. Gerald Greenslade, 33° from Halifax, Nova Scotia and St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, was awarded the honour of the JRM Award in 2007.

Honorary Inspectors-General

AMIS, David Edward	December 6, 2016
ASHLEY, Jason Brandon	May 2, 2017
BYERS, Lyle Gordon	September 27, 2016
CRANSTON, Wilbert Andrew	June 2, 2017
CURRIE, Horatio Daryl	June 9, 2017
DUNN, Frank Gerald	February 8, 2017
ELFORD, Clyde Henry	October 8, 2016
FLEGG, Donald Carman	February 3, 2017
FORSDICK, John Edward	January 29, 2016
FORSHAW, Clifford Frank	January 24, 2017
GAMBLE, Raymond Lloyd	January 6, 2017
GREENSLADE, Gerald Morgan	September 23, 2016
GRIEVE, Allan Stuart	March 11, 2017
HANNA, Samuel James	September 21, 2016
HEAL, Ronald Wilbur	May 3, 2017
JOLLIMORE, Robert Maxwell	November 21, 2016
JUTHNER, Robert Eugene	September 26, 2016
KAUTZ, Arvid	November 18, 2016
KELLY, Lawrence Reid	November 22, 2016
LAMONT, Robert Daniel	October 19, 2016
LANSDELL, Norman Lewis	December 11, 2016
LENFESTEY, Kenney Louis	April 7, 2017
MACKINNON, Elroy John	October 31, 2016
MARR, George Alexander	June 18, 2017
MCGREGOR, Peter Walker Watt	February 7, 2017
MENNIE, Bertie Allan	September 23, 2016
MOSEY, Robert Lyle	May 3, 2017
NAPIER, James Murray	December 15, 2016
PALMER, Milton Alexander	February 3, 2017
REID, Charles Henry Morton	March 19, 2017
SHERRARD, Edward Sterling	September 28, 2015
SHERSTOBITOFF, Peter John	December 16, 2016

SIDEBOTTOM, Thomas Walter	November 26, 2016
TENNANT, Charles Russell	April 3, 2017
VANDERMEULEN, Randal George	November 23, 2016
WATSON, John Henry	February 26, 2017
WHITMARSH, Robert Stanley	May 17, 2017
WHYTE, William	June 9, 2017
YEO, Ross Kenneth	September 12, 2015

Illustrious Deceased of Other Jurisdictions
It was with regret that we received news of the passing of the following Illustrious Brother from our sister Scottish Rite Supreme Councils throughout the world.

Ill. Bro. Dragorad Tanasic, 33°, Past Grand Prior, Serbia

Constituent Bodies
While we do not have a list of those brethren from Constituent Bodies throughout the Country who have laid down their Working Tools, we shall give thanks for their contribution to Freemasonry. Many of these were friends and brothers in our own towns and communities and we mourn their loss and can be thankful of their eternal life with God our Father. In particular, we mourned the loss of Imperial Sir Jack Jones, 33°, Imperial Recorder and Past Potentate of Shriners International on April 27, 2017.

Past Active Rank
Our Statutes and Regulations requires that an Active Member attaining the age of 75 years must transfer to Past Active rank and also allow Active Members to request transfer to same.

This year we have no one attaining this status.

OFFICER RESIGNATION
It was with extreme regret that I accepted the resignation of Ill. Bro. Kenneth McComb, 33°, Active Member and Grand Master of Ceremonies of this Supreme Council. We wish Ken and Cindy all the best in the future and thank them both for their many years of service and contribution to Supreme Council and the Scottish Rite family.

Dispensations and Rulings

Date	Valley	Body	Deputy	Request Details	Result / Decision
22-Aug-16	Victoria	Lodge of Perfection	Stephen Godfrey	To confer the 4th, 7th, 13th, 14th, and omit the 5th degree	declined, ART 22 (f) v
30-Aug-16	Peterborough	Lodge of Perfection	Gareth Taylor	To hold an open installation	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (7)
30-Aug-16	Peterborough	Chapter of Rose Croix	Gareth Taylor	To hold an open installation	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (7)
01-Sep-16	Vancouver	Lodge of Perfection	Stephen Godfrey	To permit one candidate to miss the 7th degree and continue with 9-14	approved, ART 22 (f) v, certificate withheld until 7th degree is received

Date	Valley	Body	Deputy	Request Details	Result / Decision
02-Sep-16	Kamloops	Lodge of Perfection	Stephen Godfrey	To hold a Master Masons' Night September 22, 2016	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (10)
03-Oct-16	Montréal	Lodge of Perfection	Jean Reed	To hold elections & Installation on date other than stated in by-laws	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (11)
03-Oct-16	Montréal	Consistory	Jean Reed	To hold elections & Installation on date other than stated in by-laws	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (11)
06-Oct-16	North Bay	Lodge of Perfection	David Bennett	To hold a Master Masons' Night November 23, 2016	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (10)
10-Oct-16	Hamilton	Lodge of Perfection	Gareth Taylor	To present 'Rose Upon the Altar' in a public setting	approved, ART 22 (f) ix
18-Oct-16	Vancouver	Lodge of Perfection	Stephen Godfrey	To hold a Master Masons' Night October 26, 2016	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (10)
28-Oct-16	Windsor	Chapter of Rose Croix	Bill Atkinson	To change the night of their stated meeting	declined, ART 26 (a) iv (5), by-laws are not silent on meeting dates
01-Nov-16	Ottawa	Lodge of Perfection	Brian Gilkinson	To hold a Master Masons' Night November 22, 2016	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (10)
15-Nov-16	Montréal	Lodge of Perfection	Jean Reed	To hold a Master Masons' Night November 21, 2016	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (10)
18-Nov-16	Sault Ste Marie	Lodge of Perfection	David Bennett	To alter the date of elections and installation	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (11)
18-Nov-16	Sault Ste Marie	Chapter of Rose Croix	David Bennett	To alter the date of elections and installation	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (11)
24-Nov-16	Central Alberta	Lodge of Perfection	Loren Kline	To alter the meeting location	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (3 & 4)
07-Jan-17	Barrie	Lodge of Perfection	Brian Gilkinson	To hold a Master Masons' Night May 30, 2017	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (10)

Date	Valley	Body	Deputy	Request Details	Result / Decision
19-Jan-17	Québec	Chapter of Rose Croix	Jean Reed	To hold re-lighting ceremony on Wednesday after Easter Sunday	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (9)
19-Jan-17	Montréal	Chapter of Rose Croix	Jean Reed	To hold re-lighting ceremony on Monday after Easter Sunday	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (9)
19-Jan-17	Brandon	Chapter of Rose Croix	Gordon Greasley	For one member to hold multiple offices in a body	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (15)
19-Jan-17	Brandon	Consistory	Gordon Greasley	For one member to hold multiple offices in a body	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (15)
19-Jan-17	Brandon	Lodge of Perfection	Gordon Greasley	For one member to hold multiple offices in a body including one of the first three ranking offices	approved, ART 22 (f) x
19-Jan-17	Brandon	Chapter of Rose Croix	Gordon Greasley	For one member to hold multiple offices in a body including one of the first three ranking offices	approved, ART 22 (f) x
19-Jan-17	Brandon	Consistory	Gordon Greasley	For one member to hold multiple offices in a body including one of the first three ranking offices	approved, ART 22 (f) x
23-Feb-17	Halifax	Scottish Rite Club	James Finch	To hold re-lighting ceremony on Monday after Easter Sunday	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (9)
23-Feb-17	Halifax	Scottish Rite Club	James Finch	To hold the re-lighting ceremony with family and friends	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (8)
27-Feb-17	Calgary	Lodge of Perfection	Loren Kline	To hold a Master Masons' Night February 28, 2017	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (10)
16-Mar-17	Halifax	Lodge of Perfection	James Finch	To hold a Master Masons' Night April 29, 2017	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (10)

Date	Valley	Body	Deputy	Request Details	Result / Decision
16-Mar-17	St. John's	Chapter of Rose Croix	James Finch	To hold the re-lighting ceremony with family and friends	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (8)
16-Mar-17	St. John's	Chapter of Rose Croix	James Finch	To hold re-lighting ceremony on Saturday after Easter Sunday	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (9)
20-Mar-17	Windsor	Chapter of Rose Croix	Bill Atkinson	To hold a Master Masons' Night May 30, 2017	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (10)
29-Mar-17	Sydney	Chapter of Rose Croix	James Finch	To hold the re-lighting ceremony with family and friends	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (8)
29-Mar-17	North Bay	Lodge of Perfection	David Bennett	To hold an open installation	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (7)
04-Apr-17	Guelph	Chapter of Rose Croix	Gareth Taylor	To hold the re-lighting ceremony with family and friends	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (8)
09-Apr-17	Summerside	Chapter of Rose Croix	James Finch	To hold re-lighting ceremony on Tuesday after Easter Sunday	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (9)
16-Apr-17	Ottawa	Chapter of Rose Croix	Brian Gilkinson	To hold re-lighting ceremony on Monday after Easter Sunday	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (9)
17-Apr-17	Toronto	Lodge of Perfection	Gareth Taylor	To hold a Master Masons' Night May 18, 2017	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (10)
21-Apr-17	Halifax	Lodge of Perfection	James Finch	To hold a Master Masons' Night May 20, 2017	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (10)
30-Apr-17	Guelph	Lodge of Perfection	Gareth Taylor	To hold an open installation May 24, 2017	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (7)
02-May-17	Hamilton	Lodge of Perfection	Gareth Taylor	To hold a Master Masons' Night May 31, 2017	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (10)
15-May-17	Winnipeg	Lodge / Chapter / Consistory	Gordon Greasley	To hold an open installation May 18, 2017	approved, ART 26 (a) iv (7)

I have approved Bylaw revisions for the Valley of Peterborough and Woodstock.

Several situations concerning the accommodation of candidates to receive degrees on alternate dates or in a sister Valley have been referred to me, and I believe in all situations the Deputy and I have been able to meet the needs of a candidate within the confines of our Statutes and Regulations.

Valley of Sarnia 50th Anniversary Lapel Pin. Under Article 22(t), I granted dispensation for the sale of a 50th year anniversary pin to be sold and worn during the 50th anniversary year only. Art. 100 of the Statutes and Regulations lists appropriate regalia to be worn.

Conferral of the 33rd Degree. Under Article 22(t) I granted permission and conducted the conferral of the 33rd Degree on candidate Ill. Bro. Robert Whitmarsh, 33° on May 14, 2017 with a delegation of 33° members. Robert passed away a few days later. Ill. Bro. Whitmarsh was a candidate to receive the 33rd degree this year in Montréal. Robert enjoyed life and enjoyed giving generously in Freemasonry.

Conferral of the 33rd Degree. Under Article 22(t) I approved with regrets the removal of a candidate from the list of those to receive the 33rd degree for reasons given to me and the candidate's refusal to communicate needed information in the required timeframe with the Supreme Council office.

It is also wise to remind Valleys that have had a dispensation approved, that the approval is for that occasion only and that a request for a similar dispensation in the future must be submitted for each occasion.

Special Appointments
At the 2016 Annual Session of Supreme Council in St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, I appointed Ill. Bro. Alan J. Stoddart, 33° to act as my Special Assistant for the ensuing year. Ill. Bro. Stoddart and his wife Cheryl have been tremendous support to me and Bonnie as we travel across Canada and to other jurisdictions on behalf of this Supreme Council. I would once again thank Alan and Cheryl for their friendship and support.

As well Ill. Bro. David G. Hooper, 33° has served as Special Assistant to Ill. Bro. James G. Finch, 33° Deputy for Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland and Labrador this past year. His support of Deputy Finch and this Supreme Council is sincerely appreciated.

Accordingly and pursuant to authority under Article 22(t) I hereby re-appoint Ill. Bro. Stoddart, 33° as my Special Assistant and Ill. Bro. Hooper, 33° as Special Assistant to Deputy Finch for the ensuing year.

Official Visits and Special Attendances
During the second year of my tenure I have had an opportunity to travel to Valleys within Canada and a number of other jurisdictions and other Masonic bodies. I thank all those who have assisted with my travel arrangements including transportation and accommodations for me. It is indeed an honour and privilege to be part of this very large Masonic family.

Official Visits and Special Attendances 2016 – 2017

2016	
Sept 11-17	Supreme Council Annual Session, St. John's, Nfld & Labrador
Sept 22	Ontario Masonic Leaders Meeting & Intl Ploughing Match, Harriston, ON
Sept 25	Calgary Learning Centre Dedication Ceremony
Sept 29	Valley of Toronto - Officers Dinner - York
Oct 2	10th Anniversary Dinner Grand Lodge Ontario & Prince Hall Masons
Oct 5	Scottish Rite Club Valley of Barrie

Oct 12	Reception for Norman Bud Funnell Distinguished Service Award
Oct 18-19	Official Visit - Valley of St. John's
Oct 21-22	Official Visit - Valley of Halifax
Oct 22	10th Anniversary Celebration Halifax Learning Centre
Oct 25	Past District Deputy Grand Masters Dinner, Toronto, ON
Oct 29	Official Visit - Valley of London, Rose Croix
Nov 1	Installation Blackwood Lodge, Woodbridge, ON
Nov 4	Advisory Council Teleconference
Nov 4	Masonic Service for Ill. Bro. John Boersma, No. 320 Ionic Lodge
Nov 5	Funeral Service for Ill. Bro. Elroy MacKinnon, 33°
Nov 8	Recognition, Remembrance Ceremony and 7th Degree Valley of Toronto
Nov 12	Rose Croix Reunion 16th-18th degrees - Valley of Toronto
Nov 16-17	Valley of Montréal Session 2017 Site Visit with GSG/COO
Nov 19-26	Scottish Rite Week Canada
Nov 22	50th Anniversary - Valley of Sarnia
Nov 25-26	Official Visit - Valley of Barrie
Dec 3	Breakfast with Santa – Hamilton, ON
Dec 10	John Carrick Christmas Luncheon – Hamilton, ON
Dec 13	13th Degree - Valley of Toronto
Dec 18	Sunnylea Lodge Christmas Social
2017	
Jan 12	Sunnylea Lodge, Etobicoke, ON
Jan 14	Installations - Valley of Barrie
Jan 20	Deputies Teleconference
Feb 9	Sunnylea Lodge - DDGM Visit
Feb 17-22	Conference of Grand Masters North America - Omaha Nebraska
March 3-4	Official Visit - Valley of Sault Ste. Marie
March 21	Hosts Ontario Masonic Leaders Meeting – Hamilton, ON
March 27	Official Visit - Valley of Ottawa - 18th Degree
March 30	Grand Master Reception York & Toronto Districts
April 6-7	Advisory Council Meeting – Hamilton, ON
April 8	Directors SRCF Meeting – Hamilton, ON
April 13-14	Official Visit - Valley of Québec - Maundy Thursday
April 16	Relighting Ceremony - AM Valley of Toronto (Brampton location) Easter Ceremonies - PM Valley of Toronto
April 22	Royal Order of Scotland, Hamilton, ON
April 29-30	All Canada Conference Grand Masters, Winnipeg, MB
May 5-6	Official Visit - Valley of Hamilton – Consistory
May 7	Divine Service THVD, Toronto, ON
May 9	LOP Installation - Valley of Toronto
May 10	Perfect Column Installation, Etobicoke, ON
May 11	Sunnylea Installation, Etobicoke, ON
May 13	Official Visit - Valley of Kingston

May 14	Ceremony for Ill. Bro. Robert Stanley Whitmarsh, 33°
May 21	Masonic Service Ill. Bro. Robert Whitmarsh, 33°, Richmond Hill, ON
May 25	Installation Toronto Sovereign Chapter Rose Croix, Toronto
May 27	Valley of Barrie - 33rd Annual Meeting, Barrie, ON
May 29	Toronto Humber Valley District Spring Meeting, Etobicoke, ON
June 2	Sunnylea Lodge Golf Day, Newmarket, ON
June 4	Tecumseh Shrine Kids Day Fishing Derby
June 8-10	Rameses Shriners Ceremonial, Blue Mtns., ON
June 12	Installation Golden Rule Campbellford Hastings Lodge, Campbellford, ON
June 14	Windsor Golf Day Scottish Rite, Windsor, ON
June 17	Scottish Degree Team - Corinthian Lodge, Newmarket, ON
June 22	Tecumseh Shrine Club Golf Day - Bolton, ON
June 23	Havelock Lodge Strawberry Social – Havelock, ON
July 11	Halifax Learning Centre Golf Day, Windsor, NS
July 18-20	Annual Communication Grand Lodge of Canada Province of Ontario – Toronto, ON
July 26	Barrie Learning Centre Golf Day, Barrie, ON
July 27	Trent Valley Shriners Golf Day, Campbellford, ON
July 30	Valley of Peterborough - Lift Lock Boat Cruise
Aug 11	Valley of Peterborough Golf Day, Warkworth, ON
Aug 19-23	Bi-Annual Session Southern Jurisdiction, Washington, DC
Aug 28-30	Bi-Annual Session Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, Rochester, NY
Sept 13-16	Supreme Council Annual Session, Montréal, QC

John Ross Matheson Award
Every year our Committee on Special Awards has a challenging but rewarding task of selecting the finalists for this prestigious award. This award is named after a beloved Scottish Rite Mason who exemplified a commitment of distinguished service to the Fraternity, his community, his country and mankind.

Nominees must be members of Scottish Rite and cannot be Active members or Past Active members of the Supreme Council. Award presentations are done in the Valley of the recipient in the year after the recipient has been approved by the Supreme Council. The Sovereign Grand Commander will consult with the recipient's Valley to choose a suitable time to present the John Ross Matheson Award before the family and friends of the recipient.

Supreme Council Initiatives
We continue to focus on the four initiatives of Leadership, Communication, Education and Enlightenment and Membership. To that end, I asked our Lieutenant Grand Commander, Ill. Bro. Robert Whitmore, 33° to review our Leadership Initiatives which included Deputy Succession Planning and Valley Improvement Planning, Ill. Bro. Alan Arbuckle, 33° Active Member to develop a Communication Strategy and a Social Media Policy and Ill. Bro. Robert Brethour, 33° Grand Secretary-General to continue to develop an Education and Enlightenment program accessible to all Valleys. I will devote my time to the Membership Initiative in this year of celebration and recognition. I will comment briefly on each area, realizing that more extensive reports have been discussed earlier at these Sessions as well as the full listing of the accomplishments and future initiatives are in the printed copy of the Allocution.

Like my predecessor, I too believe that with good leadership and an effective communication strategy, in an environment of further Masonic learning, membership recruitment and retention initiatives will be successful. These areas are closely related and as such, we have approached these topics as a team.

Leadership Development Initiatives - Accomplishments to Date and Future Initiatives

2016 Deputies Workshops
Talking Points for Deputies
Deputy Training Program
Valley Officer Training Manual
New HIG Orientation Sessions
4th Deputy added in Ontario

2017 Overall Review of Statutes & Regulations
Future Annual Session review
Valley Leadership Meetings with Deputy/SGC
Succession Planning-Deputies
Deputy Conference calls/workshop sharing Best Practices

2018 Grand Secretary/Registrars Orientation Program
A&F Bylaw Template

Lieutenant Grand Commander, Ill. Bro. Robert Whitmore, 33° reports that the Valley Leadership discussions with the Deputies and the Sovereign Grand Commander have been an excellent vehicle for the Valleys to discuss what is going well and what could be improved and how in their Valley operations.

Communication Initiatives – Accomplishments to Date and Future Initiatives

2016 New Communication Committee with Valley liaisons
www.scottishritecanada.ca
www.srcf.ca
Clarion & Communique
Mass distribution re: Valley Summons & Newsletters
Recap of Annual Session to all Valleys

2017 Social Media Policy
150th Canada Day SGC Message to Members

2018 Membership Tips-How to
Engaging New Members in the new Technology
Design Phase 2 for Website

Communication has been improved by the establishment of a Communications Advisory Committee with Valley Liaisons under the co-chairmanship of Ill. Bros. Alan Arbuckle and Milan Cobanov. Our website scottishritecanada.ca continues to be a valuable tool as more information is made available in the Members Only area.

Education and Enlightenment Initiatives – Accomplishments to Date and Future Initiatives

2016 Launched Education & Enlightenment Committee
Understanding and Comprehending our Ritual
The reason for joining SR
Education & Enlightenment material on Website under Governance/History/Symbolism
Pre & Post Degree Explanations to Valleys

2017 Annual Session Guest speaker – Ill. Bro. Arturo de Hoyos, 33°
New EE Papers published on Website

2018 SR Library relocates to Scottish Rite Building 3rd floor

A daily advancement and personal development along with an understanding and comprehension of our Ritual are some of the major reasons for seeking membership in Scottish Rite according to the recent membership survey. Ill. Bro. Robert Brethour and committee are laying the foundation for continuous learning for the betterment of the Rite and its members. I am very pleased that Ill. Bro. Arturo de Hoyos, 33° Grand Archivist and Grand Historian from the Southern Jurisdiction could be with us in Montréal to enlighten us in our early Scottish Rite degrees and history. It has been a special treat and we extend our grateful thanks.

Membership Initiatives – Accomplishments to Date and Future Initiatives

2016 SRCF 1 million dollar campaign hits 1,610,177
Promote New Membership Jewel for $60
New SR Membership Video launched
Membership Tool Kit at all SGC visits
New Membership Brochure
Membership Survey-Improvement Planning
SGC Welcome letter to new member on receiving 4th degree
Paper on how can Scottish Rite support Craft Lodges/ Master Mason Nights

2017 Scottish Rite Week Nov 19-26, 2016
Open Houses 300th UGLE -Anniversary Tie 300th & 150th
Valley Membership Banner $155 plus shipping
Paper on Valley Workload-Balanced or Unbalanced

2018 Scottish Rite Membership Talks in Craft Lodges -The Video & Script

With regards to Membership Initiatives may I encourage you to?

1. Approach your Craft Master Masons with our Membership Brochure.
2. Promote the favourable work we do and the knowledge they will gain as a benefit by joining.
3. Look at the possibility of Master Mason's Nights, presentations to Craft Lodges and forming Scottish Rite degree teams.
4. We have a great product. With energy and enthusiasm we will get the message out.
5. Use all the various communication tools, the new membership video, educational hand outs and the website.
6. Use the pre & post degree explanations.
7. Engage all members to consider a role in the degrees and to assist backstage.
8. Encourage visits with shut-ins to ensure they are being thought of and have an opportunity to receive all Scottish Rite information and to voice their opinions in the operation of the Valley.

Scottish Rite Week In Canada Nov 19-26/2016, The 300th UGLE Anniversary and Canada`s 150th Anniversary.

These three celebrations were a real opportunity to celebrate our pride in being Scottish Rite Masons and at the same time increase the profile of the Scottish Rite among our Master Masons. 80% of our Valleys participated in Scottish Rite week and many Scottish Rite Valleys joined with the Craft Lodges in Open House celebrations of the 300th Anniversary of the United Grand Lodge of England. A wonderful time of increased fellowship with the Masonic Family. To

add to the celebrations our country, Canada is enjoying many activities in its 150th Anniversary year and offers more opportunities to express our loyalty.

AD HOC COMMITTEES

I have assigned various members of this Supreme Council to review, study and prepare a proposal to myself and in some cases to this Supreme Council on the following topics: an overall review of the current Statutes and Regulations for currency and relevancy (Ill. Bro. Brian Gilkinson and Committee), and a recommendation to this Supreme Council on the frequency and location of future Annual Sessions from 2019 and beyond (Ill. Bro. Robert Whitmore and Committee). Both of these committees have presented their reports at this Annual Session in Montréal.

The following ad hoc committees are still works in progress:

Ill. Bro Jim Finch and his National Committee are investigating a leadership issue of “too few doing too much” in Valleys. This ad hoc committee is entitled Valley Workload - Balanced or Unbalanced? They have come up with some observations and suggestions from large and smaller Valleys that will be forthwith published and distributed.

Ill Bro. Allard Loopstra and his Committee are examining our Scottish Rite degrees as to how they relate in the 21st century and will research alternatives for degrees which are communicated.

ORDER OF DEMOLAY

This year I was very pleased that we were able to continue to award three more DeMolay Leadership Scholarships to better promote leadership development in Canadian DeMolay chapters. Once again three scholarships will be awarded to DeMolays from Western Canada, Ontario and the Atlantic provinces. I congratulate the Valley of Barrie in the successful establishment and operation of a DeMolay Chapter in their area.

FRATERNAL RELATIONS

Grand Secretary-General Ill. Bro. Robert Brethour and I attended the Conference of Grand Masters of North America in Omaha, Nebraska and the All Canada Conference of Grand Masters, Deputy Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries of Canada in Winnipeg, Manitoba. I believe that direct contact with the Canadian Grand Lodge Officers is beneficial in promoting Scottish Rite Freemasonry and ensuring that excellent fraternal relations are maintained between our Supreme Council and the Grand Lodges of Canada.

In my travels it has become apparent to me that all the Grand Lodges in Canada are experiencing a renewed interest in Freemasonry and that each of them is determined to engage their respective lodges in reviewing how the lodges receive and retain members. Scottish Rite Masons must be active in their respective lodges and Grand Lodge jurisdictions to ensure that Scottish Rite is perceived as a concordant body that enhances a Master Mason’s Masonic journey and that membership in Scottish Rite is an asset not only to the individual Mason but also provides support to the Craft Lodge.

SCOTTISH RITE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

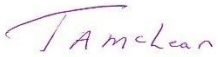
I attended the meetings of the Board of Directors of the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation held this past year and will continue my support of our Foundation and our eight Learning Centres. During my tenure in office, I had the opportunity to visit some of our Centres and meet with their respective Directors, the tutors and the children. I was very moved on one occasion when the parents of a child in the centre said to me “Thank you for the good work your organization does.” The Foundation can be justly proud of their accomplishments in that regard.

CONCLUSION

It has been a tremendous honour to serve you these past 24 months. Lieutenant Grand Commander, Ill. Bro. Robert S. Whitmore, 33°, the Grand Secretary-General, Ill. Bro. Robert D. Brethour, 33° and the COO (Executive Secretary) Ill. Bro. Steven E. Warren, 33° continue to spend several hours on the telephone, the Internet and in personal meetings to determine how we could best serve the needs of Scottish Rite in Canada. The Advisory Council and the Charitable Foundation Board of Directors have provided wise counsel and the Deputies and Active members continue to take up the challenge and opportunities of the outcomes from the membership survey, working with their Valleys to create Valley Improvement plans, measuring progress and championing our Leadership, Communication, Membership, and Education and Enlightenment initiatives. In my travels I continue to receive feedback that the Supreme Council Office is recognized as providing efficient and effective customer service, is easy and pleasant to deal with and I thank Ill. Bro. Robert Brethour, Ill. Bro. Steven Warren and Ms. Leslie Drake, the staff who provide dedicated service to our organization.

Brethren, as I have said on many occasions Supreme Council being a governing body must be seen as providing resources and support to our Valleys by creating a national profile to support the Valleys in their efforts in Membership Recruitment, Communication, Leadership and Education and Enlightenment. As a result I want to once again personally thank the leaders in this assembly for your continued on-going support to Supreme Council and in your Valleys.

Thank you my brethren



Terry A. McLean, 33°
Sovereign Grand Commander

Friday, September 15, 2017 – 11:45am
The Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation Of Canada

SRCF Minutes of the Directors Meeting
Cartier Office, Chateau Champlain, Montréal QC
(To be approved at the April 2018 Meeting of the Directors)

Present: D. G. Dowling, J. G. Finch, R. L. M. Findlater, J. E. Ford, B. W. Gilkinson, A. B. Loopstra, T. A. MacLean, K. E. Springer, A. J. Stoddart, J. C. Sutherland, G. R. Taylor, R. S. Whitmore, T. A. Wills

G. R. Taylor occupied the Chair, J. E. Ford acted as Secretary.

G. R. Taylor called the meeting to order at 11:45 a.m. and announced that there would only be one item of business, the election of a President and Vice-President for the year 2017/2018.

Elections

G. R. Taylor turned the meeting over to A. B. Loopstra to conduct the elections.

J. C. Sutherland nominated G. R. Taylor for the office of President. There being no further nominations, the acting chair declared nominations closed and G. R. Taylor elected President for the year 2017/2018.

J. G. Finch nominated B. W. Gilkinson for the office of Vice-President. There being no further nominations, the acting chair declared nominations closed and B. W. Gilkinson elected Vice-President for the year 2017/2018.

Appointments

The new President then assumed the chair and appointed the following officers:

Secretary: R. L. M. Findlater
Treasurer: D. S. Skinner

Committee chairs and members will be appointed by the President after consultation with individual directors.

Next Meeting
The next meeting of the Board of Directors of the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation will be held in April 2018, exact method of meeting and date to be announced.

The meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Sovereign Grand Commander's Banquet
Friday Evening, September 15, 2017

The Sovereign Grand Commander's Banquet was held at the Marriott Chateau Champlain, in the Ballroom at 7:00pm with Sovereign Grand Commander Terry A. McLean presiding.

Bro. Stephan Gaines, 3° piped the new HIG's AND Special Guests into the Ballroom.

Following the toast to the piper by Sovereign Grand Commander Terry McLean, 33° the blessing was offered.

The Sovereign Grand Commander then toasted the Queen and the Craft after singing of the Royal Anthem and proposed a toast to the Office of Head of State of Jurisdictions Represented.

Following the dinner, the evening unfolded with the following:

Tributes to the Ladies and Visitors

Introduction of the Class of 2017
Ill. Bro. Steven E. Warren, 33°, Chief Operating Officer

Speaking On Behalf of the Class
Ill. Bro. D. Brainerd Blyden-Taylor, 33°, Valley of Toronto

Presentation by the Valley of London
Ill. Bro. Garry Dowling, 33°, General Chairman, Valley of London
Mrs. Wendy Dowling

Toast to the Host Valley
Ill. Bro. James G. Finch, 33°, Deputy for Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland and Labrador

Remarks by the Chairman, Montréal Host Committee
Ill. Bro. Francois Nasraoui, 32°, General Chairman, Montréal Host Committee

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Closing Prayer
Ill. Bro. Michael D. H. Farr, 33°, Grand Prior

Piper: Bro. Stephan Gaines, 3°
Pianist: Ill. Bro. Kenneth C. Adamson, 33°

Address of the Newly Coroneted Honorary Inspectors-General
By Ill Bro. D. Brainerd Blyden-Taylor, 33°, Valley of Toronto

Sovereign Grand Commander – Ill. Bro. Terry A. McLean 33°, Ill. Members of Supreme Council, Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Brethren

It is a distinct pleasure and an honour to speak on behalf of the 2017 Class of newly coroneted Honorary Inspectors-General. First let me express our sincere appreciation to Ill. Bro. Steven E. Warren, 33° for your gracious introduction and toast to us, and for making us feel welcome members of this august body.

Next I would express our profound gratitude to the illustrious brethren who conferred on us a magnificent and stellar degree. Nothing could have prepared us fully for the powerful impact and deeply moving portrayal of the 33rd Degree, and I for one feel particularly inspired and elevated in both heart and mind.

To the Valley of Montréal and the Organising Committee, you have outdone yourselves. In a year marked by several important celebrations, not the least of which are the 375th Anniversary of Montréal, the 300th Anniversary of Freemasonry, and the 150th Anniversary of Canadian Confederation, you have helped to make the 143rd Annual Session of the Supreme Council a truly memorable experience. Your warmth and hospitality have been impeccable, and it has been our privilege to be coroneted here in Montréal during such a momentous year.

On behalf of our ladies and partners let me say a special word of thanks to Mrs. Eileen Ross, Ladies Chair 2017, for preparing a roster of exquisite social activities to compliment the sitting of the 143rd Annual Session. Speaking of our ladies and partners, we are delighted to have you share the honour of this memorable occasion with us. We are extremely grateful for your love, friendship and support not only during this week, but for all the days, weeks and years of our masonic journey thus far. In the spirit of the African concept ‘ubuntu’, we are because you are.

And, finally, we the Class of 2017, wish to express our sincere and lasting gratitude to our respective Valleys for their approbation in nominating us for the distinct honour of being coroneted Honorary Inspectors-General, and to the Supreme Council of the 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for endorsing the same. Any of us, reviewing the qualifications required for nomination as outlined in the Statutes and Regulations, should well be proud to be so considered and supremely humbled by that consideration all at once. The attributes a nominee is expected to embody are indicative of a phrase I came across recently while doing some masonic research - ***Circumornatae ut similitudo templi*** *"To be as the polished cornerstones of the temple"*. Today we are very aware that we have been drawn more closely into a community of living cornerstones; even as we strive to be perfect ashlars, we are both building and ourselves a part of a temple not made with hands. The expectation of future service required of each of us, again outlined in the Statutes and Regulations, demands that, among other things, we – *“guide the feet of our brethren in the true way…opening freely to them the exchange of our knowledge…guided solely by impartiality, justice, and loving-kindness”* - and we accept that challenge. Rest assured that we, the Class of 2017, do not see the honour you have bestowed on us as a culminating point in our masonic journey, but rather a recognition of fellow brethren as we pace each other on the road to excellence.

Thank you.

►SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16◄

Executive Session 4
Saturday, September 16, 2017 ~ 8:30am
Cartier ABC, Marriott Chateau Champlain, Montréal, Québec

The Sovereign Grand Commander declared the labours of the Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada resumed at 8:30am.

Ill. Bro. Tom Lewis, 33° reported on the 2018 Budget as presented and published in the Preliminary Report submitted and approved at the Executive Session earlier this week.

ON MOTION duly moved and seconded by Ill. Bros. Tom Lewis, 33°, Grand Treasurer-General and John Harrison, 33° that the Budget for fiscal 2018 be approved.

SGC: You've heard the motion properly moved and seconded. Any questions? I'll call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Crowning of New Active Members

The Ceremony of the Crowning of the new Active Members was conducted by Ill. Bro. Donald D. Thornton, 33°.

Ill. Bro. Allan Leonard Long, 33°, Valley of Calgary

was crowned according to ancient custom as an Active Member of the Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

The Executive Session was closed and the Sovereign Grand Commander invited the Honorary Inspectors-General to enter.

General Session 5
Saturday, September 16, 2017 ~ 9:00am
Cartier ABC, Marriott Chateau Champlain, Montréal, Québec

SGC: Brethren, we will now resume the labours of the Supreme Council in General Session. Illustrious Grand Prior, please attend at the altar.

Good morning, brethren. I trust everyone is bright-eyed and bushy-tailed this morning after a lot of good celebrations with their Valleys last evening.

At this time do we have Ill. Bro. Ken Veitch from the Valley of Barrie in the audience? Ken, would you approach the East and sit with us in the East? Ken received the John Ross Matheson Award in 2013.

How are you? Good to see you.

Ill. Bro. Veitch: All good. Thank you very much. What a pleasure. Thank you.

SGC: Brethren, I would like to introduce our newest Active, Ill. Bro. Allan Long from the Valley of Calgary. There's Allan.

And now I will call on Ill. Bro. Brian Gilkinson for the addendum to the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence and Legislation.

Ill. Bro. Brian Gilkinson, 33° presented Part II of the Report from the Jurisprudence and Legislation Committee on the Sovereign Grand Commander's Allocution.

Jurisprudence and Legislation Report ~ Part II

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers and brethren:

As directed by motion yesterday, and pursuant to Article 22 (s) of the Statutes and Regulations, your committee has reviewed the Allocution of the Sovereign Grand Commander presented to this 143rd Annual Session of Supreme Council and now reports on its contents covering the second year of his triennial term.

The Allocution is informative and comprehensive of the official acts undertaken by our Sovereign Grand Commander during the past year and, in particular, regarding the rulings and recommendations taken in the fulfillment of his duties.

His words of welcome to those in attendance at this Annual Session were as he described, warm and fraternal, and in keeping with a year filled with much to celebrate. He noted the many anniversaries and birthdays that characterize this significant year in the history of Freemasonry, of the City of Montréal, of its Scottish Rite Valley and of our great and inclusive country.

Central to the spirit of celebration were his words of congratulations to the candidates newly admitted to membership in our Supreme Council and their companions at this 143rd Annual Session.

His pleasure in the company of our invited guests attending the Annual Session is shared by all of us and points out the close fraternal ties that characterize, not just the close connection between sovereign bodies of the worldwide Scottish Rite but also those existing between this Supreme Council and the Grand Lodge of Québec, represented here by its Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Andre Boivin.

His review of the history of the founding of Montréal and of the development of the Scottish Rite bodies in this area provided a valuable context to the brethren and a richer understanding of the City and the Valley. It is clear from his remarks that our newly formed Supreme Council in 1874 took immediate action to cement its relationship with this Valley. The information provided concerning the development of what are now three English speaking and three French speaking constituent bodies' points out the close relationship of mutual support that continues between our Supreme Council and the Valley of Montréal. It also affords an instructive example for those within our Rite and, in the community in general, of the value to be gained by mutual support and co-operation that can exist within a context of respectful diversity.

His mention of the fact that this is the fortieth occasion on which Supreme Council has conducted an Annual Session in Montréal, the first one occurring in 1875, not only pointed out the passage of time and the valued relationships between this City and our Rite, but formed an appropriate segue into the Necrology segment of the Allocution. The loss of thirty-nine members of this Supreme Council, one of whom was a recipient of the John Ross Matheson Award but all of whom were accomplished and highly esteemed members of our Rite, does mark the fact that time passes for each of us. The recognition by the Sovereign Grand Commander, of the loss of brethren from our Valleys and beyond reinforces this realization. While we mourn their loss, their lives have continuing value, and are a cause for celebration, if we learn from their example and utilize the benefit of their wisdom imparted to us as we laughed and toiled together.

After marking the passage of time and the departure of those he mentioned from our midst, he noted that for some, time appeared to stand still as no Active Member attained the age of 75 during the past year. That did not prevent the need to observe with regret, the resignation of a valued Active Member in the person of Ill. Bro. Kenneth McComb, 33^0, Grand Master of

Ceremonies. Many of us will have fond memories of Ken and Cindy and feel their absence with similar regret.

The chart setting out the dispensations and rulings of the Sovereign Grand Commander constitutes another valuable resource for Deputies, Grand Secretaries/Registrars, and indeed all thoughtful Scottish Rite Masons regarding the authority to permit certain actions inconsistent with the standard rules of process in our Rite and the limits on that authority. The charts provided in his last Allocution and the current one represent crib notes that reveal, not only the fact of approval or refusal, but the reasons for each decision. Virtually all those reasons can be found in either Article 22 which governs the authority of the Sovereign Grand Commander, or Article 26 which governs the authority of the Deputies. His comprehensive and clear message in formulating this chart - “Seek and ye shall find knowledge and truth,” albeit of a more secular variety.

The Allocution detailed by-law amendment approvals, variations in the conferral of degrees to accommodate candidates where possible and the productive collaboration between Deputies and the Sovereign Grand Commander in responding to the needs of the Valleys and brethren within the bounds of the Statues and Regulations.

His use of the authority conferred in him by Article 22 (t) is specified in the Allocution and represents his commitment to both continued transparency of his actions pursuant to it and his respect for the necessity to inform this Supreme Council regarding those actions and to obtain confirmation of them. These actions include:

1. Permission granted to the Valley of Sarnia to wear a 50th anniversary pin during the anniversary year of that Valley.
2. The conferral of the 33rd degree on candidate Ill. Bro. Robert Whitmarsh, 33^0 in May when, due the terminal nature of his medical condition, his survival to receive the degree with his class in Montréal became impossible.
3. The removal of person from the list of those approved to receive the 33rd degree due to a persistent failure to comply with the administrative requirements necessary to allow it to proceed.
4. Appointments of Ill. Bros. Alan J. Stoddart, 33^0 and David G. Hooper, 33^0 as Special Assistants to the Sovereign Grand Commander and the Deputy for Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland and Labrador respectively.

Our Sovereign Grand Commander demonstrated his dedication to the official and diplomatic nature of his duties by detailing his many attendances at Masonic meetings, conferences, Official Visits and other events throughout the year. The list illustrates his belief in the importance of fostering and maintaining close ties with other Supreme Counsels, our Grand Lodges, the Valleys that constitute the sure support of this Supreme Council and the Craft Lodges that form the lifeblood of our Rite. Sixty-nine trips or events are detailed, including seventeen that entailed multiple days away from home.

The importance of John Ross Matheson, and the Award named after him, is mirrored in the importance our Sovereign Grand Commander places on the value of those accomplished brethren who receive it. His willingness to travel to present the award to worthy recipients in the presence of family and friends is evidence of his kindness and consideration of all who presence would be appreciated by the recipient.

The information supplied in the Allocution regarding the four initiatives of Supreme Council demonstrates practical steps to pursue improvements in these areas. It demonstrates a continuing commitment to this improvement both within Supreme Council and within the Valleys.

His call for each of us to perform eight steps to strengthen membership points out the fact that strength comes from the ground up and that without a strong programme to recruit and retain members, all other actions may well be futile. It is a duty incumbent on each of us.

His observation of an 80% participation rate by Valleys holding events to mark Scottish Rite Week is a realization that while that level of involvement is gratifying, there is still room for improvement. Information regarding the open house celebrations, involving the collaboration of the Scottish Rite with Craft Lodges and other concordant bodies reflects an expansion of our efforts to forge new bonds within the family of Freemasonry. Much of this is due to effective leadership provided by our Sovereign Grand Commander, focusing on what is possible and then acting to make it so.

Similar engagement is reflected in the appointment of ad hoc committees to examine and update the Statutes and Regulations and to examine the structure of the Annual Session in recognition of fiscal realities. An expansion of those committees to deal with workload issues within Valleys and to examine our ritual is evidence of an active leadership that keeps identifying and responding to the needs of our Rite. As members of Supreme Council we need to be mindful that these initiatives are by and large a response to surveys of our membership and the needs they expressed.

The Sovereign Grand Commander's remarks concerning the relations between Grand Lodges and the Scottish Rite that are fostered and improved by attendance at the Annual All Canada Conference demonstrate the need, not only for strong relations at the Grand Lodge – Supreme Council level, but just as importantly those essentially necessary at the Valley- Craft lodge level. His encouragement of our members to be strong supporters of Craft Masonry inherently makes them strong supporters of their Valleys and the Rite as Master Masons view the Rite as a valuable path on which to continue their Masonic journeys.

Finally, his attention to the work of the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation demonstrates an awareness of the fact that our efforts for the cause of good makes us all better men and Masons. Pursuing those efforts does gain recognition, as in the instance he mentioned from the grateful parents of a child benefitting from the Learning Centre programme. He recognized that this interface between the members of our Rite and the public, whether acting as ambassadors for the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation or the Scottish Rite, creates a "favourable impression preconceived of our institution."

His approach to leadership, as evidenced by this Allocution, should create a favourable impression in all of us regarding his vision and the encouragement of others to share it and apply the means necessary to achieve it within Supreme Council and in our Valleys.

Submitted respectfully,

Brian W. Gilkinson, 33^0, Chairman
Robert G. Wands, 33^0
Gordon L. Greasley, 33^0
Jeffrey R. Dickson, 33^0

ON MOTION duly moved and seconded by Ill. Bros. Brian Gilkinson, 33° and Rob Whitmore, 33°, that Part II of the Report be received and accepted.

SGC: Brethren, you have heard the motion properly proposed and seconded. Any questions or discussions? Hearing none, I will call for the vote: All in favour? Opposed, if any? CARRIED.

Thank you, Ill. Bro. Gilkinson.

Ill. Bro. Gilkinson: You're welcome.

SGC: I will now call on Ill. Bro. Donald D. Thornton, for conducting the Investiture Ceremony.

The Installation Ceremony was conducted by Ill. Bro. Donald D. Thornton 33° on the following brethren.

Illustrious Brother Thomas A. Wills, Grand Master of Ceremonies

SGC: Thank you very much, Ill. Bro. Thornton, for conducting that ceremony, and congratulations to Ill. Bro. Wills, Grand Master of Ceremonies.

I now call on Illustrious Brother Gareth Taylor for the report of the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation.

Ill. Bro. Taylor presented his Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation Presidents' Report:

SRCF President's Report

As printed in the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation Annual Report 2016-2017

How quickly a year passes. Last year we were celebrating that we reached the remarkable total of $1,610,177 raised during our 50th Anniversary Capital Fund campaign. This additional funding will certainly allow the Foundation to grow its core programs and to assist the Learning Centres to Help Solve the Puzzles of the Mind.

The Board of Directors at its April meeting took the first step to growing the Foundation's core programs by agreeing to strengthen the Foundation's granting program by increasing the annual value of each grant to a maximum of $40,000 from the current $35,000 per year starting with the April 1, 2018 grant competition. This will raise the total value of a grant to $120,000 over 3 years. In the first year, this will increase our commitment to the grants program by $20,000 and within three years will add $60,000 to the amount distributed through this program. By 2020/2021 we will be distributing $480,000 to worthy researchers in Canada. This could not have been accomplished without the tremendous support received from the 50th Anniversary Capital Fund.

This year also marked the ninth edition of the "Clarion", jointly published by the SRCF and Supreme Council and sent to all Scottish Rite members in Canada. This issue highlighted the success of the Foundation's Capital Campaign. Congratulations to our Editor in Chief, Ill. Bro. Chief Ill. Bro. Kenneth D. McComb, 33° and his Editorial Board for another outstanding issue.

The 2017-2018 will see three new Directors being elected. We thank Ill. Bro. James Ford who will be stepping down as a Director in September. This marks the end of Jim's 6 years of dedicated service to the Foundation, the last 5 of which he has served as our Secretary. We were deeply saddened by the loss of Dr. Jason Ashley on May 2, 2017. Jason had only just become a Director in September 2016. The resignation of Ill. Bro. Kenneth McComb created the third vacancy.

Ill. Bro. Matthew F. Todd, Executive Director Learning Centres reported on the number of graduates for the Learning Centre programing. The numbers continue to grow year over year. I have had the opportunity to attend a number of the graduation ceremonies and it certainly impresses upon me the impact and difference we are making in these communities.

Special thanks goes to the Directors, Officers, Committee Chairman, Executive Director Learning Centres, Learning Centre Directors, Learning Centre Tutors and Volunteers, Valley Representatives and the Foundation office staff for all of your efforts on behalf of the Foundation to help us in our work to Help Solve the Puzzles of the Mind.

To our Scottish Rite members, thank you for your ongoing financial support of the Foundation. I continue to believe that we can be truly proud of what The Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation accomplishes for others through its Grants and Awards and the Learning Centre Programs.

The purpose of human life is to serve, and to show compassion and the will to help others – Albert Schweitzer.

SGC: Thank you, Ill. Bro. Taylor, and thank you for the work you do as President of the Foundation.

Grand Secretary-General, do you have any announcements?

GSG: Sovereign Grand Commander, we do have some announcements. I would remind those brethren who have lavalier mics to please turn them in at the sound board before leaving the room.

I would request that the following members please attend and speak with our COO immediately following the Chain of the Union. Those brethren are: Tom Wills, Allan Long, Bill Davis, John Teleske, Brian Gilkinson, Maurice Hrycyk and Ken Adamson.

At 11:30 a.m. this morning the Future Sessions meeting will be held in the Terrasse Room. That is on the Plaza Level, one level up from here. Those participating: Terry McLean, Rob Whitmore, Bob Brethour, Tom Lewis, Steven Warren, Ardyce Warren and Leslie Drake, as well as Francois Nasraoui, Jean Reed, Jim Ross, Eileen Ross, Opkar Sandhu, Richard Guay and Garry Dowling, Wendy Dowling and Jim Sutherland.

The Valley event will commence at 12:30, for those participating in the Valley event. At this time I would ask Ill. Bro. Jean Reed to step to the podium and just give us some additional information, please.

Ill. Bro. Reed: Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill. Brethren, first I would like to say to those who will leave just after the Session, I hope you did enjoy your stay in Montréal. On behalf of all the Members of the Montréal Valley I would like to thank you for the real pleasure for us to receive you in Montréal in La Belle Province.

Now, here's the way it will go this afternoon: At 12:30 there will be buses in front of the hotel. These buses will take 50 people. You will be directed to the Shriners Hospital. There, each bus will be divided by two groups. Each group will have a guide and you will go around the hospital for a visit.

After the visit you will be directed again to those buses. You will be transported to our Masonic Temple on St. Marc and Sherbrooke. There will be the visit to the Temple. In the Temple the best way, naturally, are the two elevators. You probably will be brought up to the seventh floor. This is the best way. And from the seventh floor, those who can do it by the stairs going down can visit all the rooms on the different levels.

After that there will be a lunch. I think you will enjoy it, it's something special in Montréal. After that you will again be getting on the buses and returning to the hotel. You should be back at the hotel around six o'clock.

So thank you very much. Thank you for being in Montréal, and see you next year in London.

Sovereign Grand Commander, thank you very much.

SGC: Thank you, Ill. Bro. Reed.

GSG: Sovereign Grand Commander, we do have three additions to the Future Sessions meeting list, in the persons of: Ian Dale, Wayne Barker and Jim Ford. Again, that's at 11:30 in the Terrasse Room on the Plaza Level.

Finally, brethren, there are a few ties left, the celebration ties, that were selling like hot cakes yesterday. Leslie Drake, I believe, will be in the foyer immediately following the Chain of Union and we have a few left for sale.

Last but not least, Members of the class, I would ask that you come forward to the East in front of the dais to receive your class photo.

The brethren that I named earlier will speak with the COO here. I will be handing out the class photos over there.

Those are the announcements, Sovereign Grand Commander.

SGC: Thank you, Ill. Grand Secretary-General. Brethren, I do have some closing remarks. In 1998, the Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill. Bro. Glenn M. Martin, 33°, closed the 124th Annual Session in Montréal with the following remarks, and I quote:

> I ask each of you to reflect for a moment, now and perhaps for a longer time after you return home, on how successful we have been in fulfilling the mission of our Order. Our job is to motivate men so that every day of their lives they will do their best and be their best.
>
> I ask you, as well, to look beyond our ritualistic work and strive to introduce Valley programs and activities that show you really care for the well-being of the brother who sits next to you in Lodge.

He also went on to say that his hope was in the month ahead:

> Valley officers will regularly present educational programs describing the activities of the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation.

He concluded with:

> As we take leave of our brethren today, let us do so with renewed energy and commitment to illume our fellow men with the radiance of Masonic Light. As we strive to do our duty to God, the Order, our country and the cause of suffering humanity, we will surely succeed.
> And may God be with us always.

And those words from the past Sovereign Grand Commander still resonate in this room today.

Brethren, our deliberations, transactions and ceremonies of the 143rd Annual Session of this Supreme Council are about to conclude. It only remains for us to renew our pledges to the Order and our commitment to its mission among men: To be ever mindful of our duty towards our brethren and to strengthen our resolve to impart the inspiration and invigoration of this Session in all of our Valleys, from sea to sea.

At this time I would ask Ill. Bro. Jean Reed and Ill. Bro. Garry Dowling to approach the lectern.

Ill. Bro. Reed: The travelling gavel of this Supreme Council is being used to conduct the affairs of this Session. I now present to you, Ill. Bro. Garry Dowling its travelling box and charge you to obtain the gavel from the Sovereign Grand Commander after the close of this Session. Bring it to London and make it available so the brethren can be called to order in September 2018.

The pressure is on you now.

Ill. Bro. Dowling: Ill. Bro. Reed, it shall be done.

Ill. Bro. Reed: Thank you.

SGC: Thank you. I will know call on our Lieutenant Grand Commander to acknowledge the courtesies, the assistance and cooperation extended to Supreme Council by the host Valley, local Lodge officers and members and other individuals and groups.

Appreciation

The Lieutenant Grand Commander expressed his thanks to the Host Valley of Montréal for all those who had a part in the Annual Session in Montréal, Québec. He noted:

Organist
Ill. Bro. Ken Adamson, 33°

Soloist
Ill. Bro. Allan Petrisor, 33°

Piper at the Vesper Service and Thursday Banquet
Bro. Cameron Stevens, 3°

Piper at the Friday Banquet
Bro. Stephan Gaines, 3°

Escorts (Opening of Supreme Council)
Ill. Bro. John de Sévigné, 33°
Ill. Bro. Fayez Oustwani, 33°
Ill. Bro. Donald Ross, 33°
Ill. Bro. Opkar Sandhu, 33°

Tylers
Ill. Bro. William Lawrance, 33°
Ill. Bro. Joseph Hakim, 32°
Ill. Bro. Sia Kahkeshan, 32°
Ill. Bro. Tamam Ghanem, 32°
Ill. Bro. Fayez Oustwani, 33°

Stage Crew
Ill. Bro. Jack Hanna, 33°, Chairman of Staging
Ill. Bro. Bob Ross, 33°
Ill. Bro. Tom Marshall, 33°

Sound
Ill. Bro. John Scott, 33°, Director of Sound

Assisting with Sound for the 33°
Ill. Bro. John Perham, 33°
Ill. Bro. Cam Mallabar, 33°
Ill. Bro. Kris Nickerson, 33°
Ill. Bro. Larry Stewart, 33°

33° Director
Ill. Bro. Steven Warren, 33°

Photographer
Ill. Bro. Bill Davis, 33°

The 143rd Annual Session of Supreme Council was closed in full and ample form. The Chain of Union was formed on the level in a circle and concluded with the singing of our National Anthem.

Listing of Active Members of Supreme Council in attendance:

Alan D. Arbuckle	James G. Finch	W. Douglas Keam	Karl E. Springer
William A. Atkinson	William C. Fitzsimmons	Loren W. Kline	James C. Sutherland
David A. Bennett	Brian W. Gilkinson	Thomas E. Lewis	Gareth R. Taylor
Robert D. Brethour	Stephen Godfrey	Allard B. Loopstra	John G. Teleske
Richard A. H. Brown	Miles R. Graham	D. Ronald MacDonald	Matthew F. Todd
Harold E. Crosby	Gordon L. Greasley	Terry A. McLean	John W. Trousdale
William A. Davis	Allan J. L. Hadley	Chesley R. Piercey	Robert S. Whitmore
Jeffrey R. Dickson	John E. Harrison	Jean Reed	Thomas A. Wills
Michael D. H. Farr	David G. Hooper	James S. Ross	

Listing of Past Active Members of Supreme Council in attendance:

Philippe A. Decelles	Samuel Kalinowsky	Donald D. Thornton
Maurice Hrycyk	Marvin J. Salmi	

Listing of Distinguished Guests and Concordant Bodies in attendance:

Grand Lodge of Québec	Andre Boivin	Grand Master
Southern Jurisdiction, USA	Ronald A. Seale	Sovereign Grand Commander
Southern Jurisdiction, USA	James D. Cole	Lieutenant Grand Commander
Southern Jurisdiction, USA	Arturo de Hoyas	Grand Archivist & Grand Historian
Northern Jurisdiction, USA	David A Glattly	Sovereign Grand Commander
Northern Jurisdiction, USA	John T. Phillips	Grand Lieutenant Commander
Northern Jurisdiction, USA	Gail N. Kemp	Emeritus Member
Supreme Council of Germany	Eberhard Desch	Sovereign Grand Commander
Grand Imperial Conclave of Canada	Thomas A. Mortlock	Grand Sovereign
Royal Arch Masons (Québec)	Francois Labrie	Grand First Principal
Royal Order of Scotland	Donald C. Ross	Provincial Grand Master
Shriners – Karnak	Jean-Baptiste Djigounian	Potentate
DeMolay of Canada	Ernest Loiselle	President

Total attendance was reported as follows:

	Brethren	Ladies
Active Members	35	24
Past Active Members	5	1
Honorary Members	157	122
Candidates	47	36
Guests	17	13
Totals	**261**	**196**

Terry A. McLean, 33°
Sovereign Grand Commander

Grand Secretary-General
Robert D. Brethour, 33°

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AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of
Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada

We have audited the statement of financial position of the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada as at May 31, 2017 and the statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows, the schedule of expenses and the schedule of annual session revenue and expenses for the year then ended.

Management's responsibility for the financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada as at May 31, 2017 and the results of its operations, changes in net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Grant Thornton LLP

Port Colborne, Canada
July 24, 2017

Chartered Professional Accountants
Licensed Public Accountants

Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada
Statement of Operations

For the Year Ended May 31, 2017

	2017	2016
Revenue		
Dues	**$ 176,711**	$ 182,866
Fees	**9,850**	8,740
Candidates' fees	**7,000**	8,800
	193,561	200,406
Expenses (Pages 7 and 8)		
Administration	**170,330**	161,915
Activities	**17,352**	32,792
Officers and committees	**54,880**	78,312
Annual session - net	**65,041**	19,286
	307,603	292,305
Operating excess of expenses over revenue	**(114,042)**	(91,899)
Investment income	**51,026**	52,363
Gain on disposal of investments	**1,429**	17,486
Excess of expenses over revenue before unrealized gain (loss) on investments	**(61,587)**	(22,050)
Unrealized gain (loss) on investments	**36,613**	(43,849)
Excess of expenses over revenue	**$ (24,974)**	$ (65,899)

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada
Statement of Changes in Net Assets
For the Year Ended May 31, 2017

Net assets	Unrestricted	Internally Restricted Special Candidates Fund (Note 6)	**2017 Total**	2016 Total
Balance, beginning of year	$ 1,424,660	$ 160,449	**$ 1,585,109**	$ 1,651,008
Excess of (expenses over revenue) revenue over expenses	(46,314)	21,340	**(24,974)**	(65,899)
Balance, end of year	$ 1,378,346	$ 181,789	**$ 1,560,135**	$ 1,585,109

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada
Statement of Financial Position

As at May 31, 2017

	2017	2016
Assets		
Current		
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 3)	**$ 80,034**	$ 39,965
Receivables	**12,270**	7,705
Inventory	**31,453**	32,265
Prepaids and deferred charges	**53,329**	43,749
	177,086	123,684
Investments, at fair value - unrestricted (Note 4)	**1,367,493**	1,441,119
Investments, at fair value - Special Candidates Fund (Note 4)	**178,574**	157,559
Capital assets	**1**	1
	$ 1,723,154	$ 1,722,363
Liabilities		
Current		
Payables and accruals (Note 5)	**$ 26,174**	$ 25,961
Candidates and other fees paid in advance	**136,845**	111,293
	163,019	137,254
Net assets		
Unrestricted	**1,378,346**	1,424,660
Internally restricted - Special Candidates Fund (Note 6)	**181,789**	160,449
	1,560,135	1,585,109
	$ 1,723,154	$ 1,722,363

Commitments (Note 7)

Approved by

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada
Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended May 31, 2017	**2017**	2016
Net Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		
Operating activities		
Excess of expenses over revenue	**$ (24,974)**	$ (65,899)
Items not affecting cash		
Gain on disposal of investments	**(1,429)**	(17,486)
Change in unrealized gain on investments	**(36,613)**	43,849
	(63,016)	(39,536)
Changes in non-cash operating working capital		
Receivables	**(4,565)**	8,747
Inventory	**812**	(9,219)
Prepaids and deferred charges	**(9,580)**	(29,071)
Payables and accruals	**213**	(7,458)
Deferred revenue	**-**	(3,757)
Candidates and other fees paid in advance	**25,552**	17,838
	(50,584)	(62,456)
Investing activities		
Proceeds from disposition of investments	**246,047**	603,554
Purchase of investments	**(155,394)**	(529,611)
	90,653	73,943
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	**40,069**	**11,487**
Cash and cash equivalents		
Beginning of year	**39,965**	28,478
End of year	**$ 80,034**	$ 39,965

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada
Schedule of Expenses

For the Year Ended May 31, 2017

	2017	2016
Administration		
Salaries	**$ 101,922**	$ 99,594
Employee benefits	**6,849**	4,988
Rent	**19,974**	20,645
Postage	**3,375**	5,368
Telephone	**2,331**	3,067
Property maintenance	**863**	1,440
Equipment maintenance	**158**	3,070
Supplies	**2,388**	6,086
Office equipment	**5,298**	4,039
Professional fees	**16,136**	16,136
Insurance	**7,285**	7,260
Printing	**2,520**	2,484
Computer service	**5,392**	2,116
Floral tributes	**-**	270
Website	**70**	-
Sundry – net of recoveries	**(4,231)**	(14,648)
	$ 170,330	$ 161,915
Activities		
Proceedings	**$ 2,390**	$ 2,413
Sale of proceedings	**(40)**	(32)
Sale of statutes and regulations	**(622)**	(150)
Sale of rituals, officers' manual and lectures	**(2,250)**	(4,615)
The Clarion costs	**9,259**	10,741
Public relations	**1,833**	18,802
Donations and presentation	**6,782**	5,633
	$ 17,352	$ 32,792
Officers and committees		
Sovereign Grand Commander	**$ 16,487**	$ 10,845
Lieutenant Grand Commander	**-**	3,123
Deputies	**11,264**	18,664
Other	**15,839**	21,378
Advisory council	**5,808**	11,389
Attendance at other Supreme Councils and international meetings	**5,482**	12,913
	$ 54,880	$ 78,312

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada
Schedule of Annual Session Revenue and Expenses

For the Year Ended May 31, 2017	**2017**	2016
Revenue		
Registration	**$ 162,650**	$ 175,330
Vesper service	**2,165**	2,714
	164,815	178,044
Expenses		
Delegates - actives and past actives		
Lunches	**7,770**	5,585
Tuesday Dinner	**6,560**	7,385
Wednesday Dinner	**9,082**	7,403
Get Acquainted Reception - Wednesday	**7,649**	6,822
Foundation Luncheon	**36,729**	30,345
Sovereign Grand Commander's Banquet	**38,085**	36,935
Sovereign Grand Commander's Wife's Luncheon	**3,000**	914
Ladies Program	**16,012**	14,086
	124,887	109,475
General		
Flowers	**614**	170
Workers' lunch	**274**	218
Printing	**539**	3,556
Accommodation – guests and sessions	**20,164**	12,457
Audio visual and room rental	**18,913**	15,301
Vesper service	**675**	293
Moving and insurance	**7,155**	1,298
Regalia	**21,241**	21,877
Miscellaneous	**6,863**	2,913
Local committee expenses	**2,580**	9,067
	79,018	67,150
Excess of session (expenses over revenue) revenue over expenses before travel allowance	**(39,090)**	1,419
Travel allowance	**25,951**	20,705
Net expenses for session	**$ (65,041)**	$ (19,286)
Total attendance	**541**	595
Location	**St. John**	Windsor

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada
Notes to the Financial Statements

May 31, 2017

1. Purpose of the organization

The Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada (the "organization") is a not-for-profit organization which serves as the central administrative body for Scottish Rite Freemasonry across Canada.

2. Summary of significant accounting policies

Basis of presentation

The organization has prepared these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand and balances with banks and other institutions and term deposits with maturities of three months or less.

Financial instruments

Initial measurement
The organization's financial instruments are measured at fair value when issued or acquired. For financial instruments subsequently measured at cost or amortized cost, fair value is adjusted by the amount of the related financing fees and transaction costs. Transaction costs and financing fees relating to financial instruments that are measured subsequently at fair value are recognized in operations in the year in which they are incurred.

Subsequent measurement
At each reporting date, the organization measures its financial assets and liabilities at cost or amortized cost (less impairment in the case of financial assets), except for equities quoted in an active market, which must be measured at fair value. The organization has also irrevocably elected to measure its investments in bonds at fair value. All changes in fair value of the organization's investments in equities quoted in an active market and in bonds are recorded in the statement of operations. The financial instruments measured at amortized cost are cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable and accounts payables.

For financial assets measured at cost or amortized cost, the organization regularly assesses whether there are any indications of impairment. If there is an indication of impairment, and the organization determines that there is a significant adverse change in the expected timing or amount of future cash flows from the financial asset, it recognizes an impairment loss in the statement of operations. Any reversals of previously recognized impairment losses are recognized in operations in the year the reversal occurs.

2. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Capital assets

Capital asset purchases which are significant are recorded at cost and amortized on a straight-line basis over the assets' estimated useful lives.

Revenue recognition

The organization follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions.

Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue of the Internally Restricted - Special Candidates Fund in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue of the unrestricted fund when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Dues and fees revenue is recognized as earned and collection is reasonably assured. Amounts received in advance are recorded as deferred revenue.

Fundraising events revenue is recognized when the event takes place and collection is reasonably assured.

Net investment income is recognized as it is earned in the statement of operations.

Use of estimates

Management reviews the carrying amounts of items in the financial statements at each statement of financial position date to assess the need for revision or any possibility of impairment. Many items in the preparation of these financial statements require management’s best estimate. Management determines these estimates based on assumptions that reflect the most probable set of economic conditions and planned courses of action.

These estimates are reviewed periodically and adjustments are made to net income as appropriate in the year they become known.

Items subject to significant management estimates include allowance for doubtful accounts.

3. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand and balances with banks and brokerage firms.

	2017	2016
Cash in bank – unrestricted	**$ 77,435**	$ 4,827
Cash in investment account – unrestricted	**710**	35,079
Cash in investment account – Special Candidates Fund	**1,889**	59
	$ 80,034	$ 39,965

4. Investments, at fair value

	2017	2016
Unrestricted		
Fixed income – guaranteed investment certificate	**$ 665,075**	$ 775,047
Equities quoted in an active market	**702,418**	666,072
	1,367,493	1,441,119
Special Candidates Fund		
Equities quoted in an active market	**178,574**	157,559
	$ 1,546,067	$ 1,598,678

5. Payables and accruals

Included in payables and accruals are government remittances of $ 3,052 (2016 - $ 2,686).

6. Internally restricted net assets

Internally restricted net assets are comprised of donations subject to internally imposed restrictions stipulating that the resources be held for capital appreciation.

	2017	2016
Restricted net assets, beginning of year	**$ 160,449**	$ 157,433
Candidates' fees	**7,000**	8,800
Investment income	**6,572**	6,083
Unrealized gain (loss) on investments	**7,768**	(11,867)
Restricted net assets, end of year	**$ 181,789**	$ 160,449

In 2005, the organization approved the transfer of $ 15,000 from existing funds to form a 'New Candidates Fund'. This fund will provide an annual renewable source of capital in the future. This fund currently holds investments with a fair value of $ 178,574 and cash of $ 1,889.

7. Commitments

The organization has commitments for leases of equipment and rental of premises with expiry dates ranging to 2021. Future minimum lease payments over the next four years are as follows:

2018	$ 22,100
2019	21,488
2020	21,687
2021	13,043

8. Financial instruments

The value of a financial instrument can be affected by changes in interest rates, foreign exchange rates, equity and commodity prices and credit spreads.

Market risk

Market risk is the potential for loss from changes in the value of financial instruments.

The organization is exposed to market risk in the investment portfolio as well as through non-trading activities. Market risk in investment activities is managed by the senior management of the organization and every investment transaction is guided by policy and regulatory limitations.

As at May 31, 2017, the organization's exposure was as follows:

	% of Total Investments	Amount
Fixed income	43%	$ 665,075
Equities	57%	880,992
		$ 1,546,067

As at May 31, 2017, if fixed income prices had increased or decreased by 10%, the effect on the assets, with all other variables held constant, would be approximately $ 66,508. If equity prices had increased or decreased by 10%, the effect on the assets, with all other variables held constant, would be approximately $ 88,099.

As at May 31, 2016, the organization's exposure was as follows:

	% of Total Investments	Amount
Fixed income	48%	$ 775,047
Equities	52%	823,631
		$ 1,598,678

As at May 31, 2016, if fixed income prices had increased or decreased by 10%, the effect on the assets, with all other variables held constant, would be approximately $ 77,505. If equity prices had increased or decreased by 10%, the effect on the assets, with all other variables held constant, would be approximately $ 82,363.

8. Financial instruments (continued)

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The organization is exposed to interest rate risk with respect to investments in bonds.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the organization could encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with its financial liabilities. Liquidity risk also includes the risk of not being able to liquidate assets in a timely manner at a reasonable price. The organization is, therefore, exposed to liquidity risk with respect to its accounts payable. Management manages liquidity risk and monitors the cash and funding needs on a daily basis.

9. Related party transactions

During the year, the organization paid and charged back costs for The Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation. These transactions are in the normal course of business and measured at the exchange amount, which are the actual amounts paid. The Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation is a not-for-profit organization whose board of directors are members of the organization.

Amounts due to/from The Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation are as follows:

	2017	2016
Accounts receivable	**$ 3,853**	$ -

2018 SUPREME COUNCIL BUDGET

SUPREME COUNCIL 33º OF THE ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY OF CANADA

APPROVED BUDGET FOR FISCAL 2018 WITH COMPARISON TO 2017 BUDGET AND ACTUALS

	BUDGET 2018	ACTUAL 2017	BUDGET 2017
REVENUE			
DUES [$ 5.00-2018 / $ 4.50-2017] **[SEE NOTE]**	**180,000**	176,711	171,500
FEES	**8,000**	9,850	7,500
CANDIDATES' CAPITAL FUND [48 X $ 200] **[SEE NOTE]**	**9,600**	7,000	7,000
	197,600	193,561	186,000
EXPENSES			
ADMINISTRATION			
SALARIES - COO	**57,720**	56,781	57,720
SALARIES - OFFICE ADMIN	**35,880**	34,727	35,100
TEMPORARY OFFICE STAFF	**3,500**	10,414	3,500
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	**9,500**	6,849	9,100
	106,600	108,771	105,420
RENT	**22,000**	19,974	21,300
POSTAGE	**5,500**	3,375	5,500
TELEPHONE & INTERNET	**3,200**	2,331	3,200
OFFICE MAINTENANCE	**1,500**	863	1,500
EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	**2,500**	158	2,500
SUPPLIES	**4,000**	2,388	4,000
OFFICE EQUIPMENT - LEASES	**5,500**	5,298	5,500
PROFESSIONAL FEES **[SEE NOTE]**	**7,500**	16,136	16,150
INSURANCE SUPREME COUNCIL	**7,500**	7,285	7,500
PRINTING	**3,500**	2,520	3,000
COMPUTER	**8,000**	5,462	8,000
DIGITIZATION OF PROCEEDINGS	**3,500**	0	
SUNDRY	**-5,000**	-4,231	-8,000
	175,800	170,330	175,570
ACTIVITIES			
DONATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS			
DEMOLAY	**1,500**	1,500	1,500
MATHESON AWARD	**4,500**	5,282	5,000
PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE			
- PROCEEDINGS (COST)	**1,750**	2,390	2,500
- PROCEEDINGS (SALE)	**-50**	-40	-50

- STATUTES AND REGULATIONS	**-500**	-622	-500
- RITUALS, MANUALS & LECTURES	**-2,000**	-2,250	-2,500
PUBLIC RELATIONS	**1,000**	1,833	1,000
PUBLICATION OF THE "CLARION"	**9,500**	9,259	11,000
	15,700	17,352	17,950
OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES			
SOVEREIGN GRAND COMMANDER	**15,000**	16,487	12,000
LIEUTENANT GRAND COMMANDER	**2,500**	0	3,500
DEPUTIES	**15,000**	11,264	12,000
ADVISORY COUNCIL **[SEE NOTE]**	**250**	5,808	6,500
GRAND SECRETARY- GENERAL	**1,500**	2,648	3,500
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY	**1,000**	671	1,000
LIBRARY - OPERATIONS **[SEE NOTE]**	**5,500**	1,600	2,200
OTHER COMMITTEES	**500**	368	500
OTHER / MILEAGE	**10,000**	10,552	10,000
OTHER - SUPREME COUNCILS / CONFERENCES **[SEE NOTE 10]**	**9,500**	5,482	7,000
	60,750	54,880	58,200
ANNUAL SESSIONS			
SUPREME COUNCIL SESSION			
MONTRÉAL 2017 / ST. JOHN'S 2016	**0**	39,090	0
TRAVEL ALLOWANCE **[SEE NOTE]**	**25,000**	25,951	25,000
	25,000	65,041	25,000
TOTAL	**277,250**	307,603	276,720
NET OPERATING EXCESS OF EXPENSES OVER REVENUE	**79,650**	114,042	90,720
INVESTMENT INCOME			
INVESTMENT INCOME PLUS REALIZED NET CAPITAL GAINS **[SEE NOTE]**	**72,000**	52,455	80,000
EXCESS OF EXPENSES OVER REVENUE BEFORE UNREALIZED GAIN [LOSS] ON INVESTMENTS	**-7,650**	-61,587	10,720
UNREALIZED GAIN [LOSS] ON INVESTMENTS	**TBD AT YEAR END**	36,613	
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	**TBD AT YEAR END**	**- 24,974**	

The Approved Budget for Fiscal 2018 gives effect to the following:
Revenue and expenses are estimated based on the prior year and adjusted for known increases or decreases and allowing for inflationary increases.

Budgetary requests by individuals have been included where applicable and amounts known.

The Administration Expenses are the actual expenses incurred by Supreme Council and where applicable are net of costs recovered from shared expenses with the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation.

Dues are based on an estimated Annual Membership decline of approximately 4% at a per-capita assessment of $5.00 [$4.50-2017]

Notes and Comments
As indicated in the report of the Grand Treasurer-General, the fact that Supreme Council continues to incur deficits annually is becoming more and more serious not only for Supreme Council today, but for the Supreme Council of the future.

To address this issue, your Sovereign Grand Commander, Grand Treasurer-General, Chief Operating Officer and Advisory Council reviewed in detail all revenues of Supreme Council and all expenses of Supreme Council with a view to reduce or eliminate future deficits.

Accordingly, the following is recommended as a start:

Revenue
Dues
As passed last year, the dues per member [per-capita] will increase $.50 per member for the next three years beginning in fiscal 2018 and is reflected in the budget.

Candidates' Fees
The Candidates' joining fee for the new Honorary Inspectors-General will remain unchanged at $200 or until subsequently increased.

Investments
The investments will remain unchanged and invested according to the investment plan adopted for Supreme Council or until subsequently altered

Expenses
Fixed Expenses
Fixed expenses, i.e. salaries, rent and ongoing administrative expenses basically are fixed with little or no options to reduce.

Professional Fees
It is suggested that Supreme Council request a review engagement instead of an audit, which will result in a savings of approximately $9,000.

Advisory Council
For the foreseeable future, all future Advisory Council Meetings will be held by teleconference rather than meeting in Hamilton once a year, which will result in a savings of approximately $5,500.

Library
The Scottish Rite Library previously housed at the Grand Lodge building has been moved to the Scottish Rite Office to be housed, which will result in a savings of approximately $1,300 each year.

Travel
Travel by members of Supreme Council and those who attend other jurisdictions will be carefully monitored and curtailed where possible. Again, to make every effort to reduce costs.

Supreme Council Sessions
Costs of Supreme Council Sessions, which traditionally is the most difficult cost to manage will be more stringently monitored and no doubt registration fees will need to increase accordingly, to meet rising costs.

Travel Allowance
Traditionally, Active and Past Active Members receive a "travel allowance" to attend the Annual Session, which is in two parts, to defray travel costs and to defray hotel accommodations. It has been approved for the "accommodation" portion of the allowance to be eliminated for fiscal 2019 and the "travel" portion of the allowance be eliminated in fiscal 2021, which will result in savings of approximately $25,000 to $28,000 depending on the session location.

In Conclusion
Brethren, as I have stated in the past declining membership is the overall issue to not only Supreme Council, our Valleys, but all Masonic Bodies and again, as Grand Treasurer-General and the Audit and Finance Committee, we are equally concerned about the financial health and wellbeing of our Valleys.

►DEPUTY REPORTS BY PROVINCE◄

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Report of the Deputy For

ALBERTA & THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers, and Brethren:

The following is a report on the state of the Rite in Alberta and Northwest Territories.

Communication
All 5 Valleys use a combination of standard printed notices and e-summons to inform members of meetings and special events. E-summons are becoming more prevalent as more members are becoming computer friendly. In addition the Valley of Calgary uses an electronic RSVP system to assist in reminding members to attend.

Leadership
The Valleys of Calgary, Edmonton, and Lethbridge have functioning Executive Committees. The 2 smaller Valleys, Central Alberta and Medicine Hat, do not need such committees; however, the members do discuss the state of their Valleys on a regular basis. The only Past Active in the province able to assist their Valley is in Calgary (Past Deputy Stan Clayton) who is in poor health. Since PSGC Ill. Bro. Orlan Weber 33°, moved to British Columbia, there are no Past Active members in the Valley of Edmonton. All 5 Valleys are actively involved in succession planning, have HIG nominating committees and have a program of degrees. Officers in Edmonton serve 2-year terms; all of the others use 1-year terms. Central Alberta is "recycling" many officers due to low membership. It should be noted that the Valley of Edmonton again assisted the Valley of Central Alberta with the ceremony of installation of officers. Ill. Bro. Ken McComb 33° recently demitted leaving a vacancy in the position of Active Member which will be filled as soon as possible.

Membership
Since Supreme Council receives membership statistics, provided by each Valley on an annual basis, it can be simply stated that the membership in each Valley is declining. This is due mostly to deaths and to a lesser extent demits. Both Calgary and Edmonton hold Master Mason Nights.

Declining membership in the 3 small Valleys- Medicine Hat, Lethbridge, and Central Alberta are reaching a critical point. While the Valleys of Calgary and Edmonton assist as much as possible, recruitment of new members is reaching a critical state.

Fellowship
In Edmonton, the Deputy attended the Christmas social. In addition, at the 14° and 32° Reunions, the Deputy attended the dinners and music night. The Deputy attended Central Alberta's "Free BBQ" in June. All of the Valleys have a Christmas social. Calgary also has a Palm Sunday Tea. The Deputy attends any social functions following Reunions in the other Valleys when making his official visit.

Unique
Edmonton continues to provide acting and director classes to assist our casts and directors. These are given by professional actors/directors. These classes are now open to members of the Craft Lodges and DeMolay to assist them in presenting their rituals. Edmonton continues to annually sponsor scholarships to young musicians at the Alberta College Conservatory of Music. Edmonton has a well-developed system of charitable donations to a number of worthy
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groups. Calgary, Lethbridge, and Medicine Hat work together, and members of Lethbridge and Medicine Hat are often officers in bodies located only in Calgary or Lethbridge.

Supporting Craft Lodges
The Deputy knows of no on-going activities that fall under this category; however, the Deputy has made it known that he will, at the invitation from the Worshipful Master of any Lodge, speak about the A&ASR.

Financial Health
Supreme Council receives annual financial forms from the Valleys. The smaller Valleys may be bordering on long term financial problems; however, with declining membership, all Valleys could face difficulties in the future.

Overall General Statements
Edmonton and Calgary, while having declining memberships, are strong and active. Edmonton still confers most of all of the degrees in its Reunions. Lethbridge, Central Alberta, and Medicine Hat are having membership problems; however, the members are sincere and dedicated.

The Deputy represented the Rite at the Edmonton Preceptory No. 46 Christmas Observance, Edmonton Masonic Day, and The Grand Chapter of Alberta Order of the Eastern Star.

Respectfully submitted,
Loren W. Kline, 33°
Deputy for Alberta and the Northwest Territories

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Report of the Deputy For
BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON TERRITORY

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers, and Brethren:

I am pleased to submit this report on Scottish Rite Freemasonry in British Columbia and Yukon Territory. As requested the reports are formatted under required subtitles.

Campbell River
Strathcona LOP (70)
Official Visit: 18th April, 2017

Membership
The membership grows slowly and steadily. Three candidates were received this year. The potential for growth comes more from the work of the Northern Lights Degree Team – a group for Craft Masons from the Lodge in Campbell River. Many members of the team are strong members of Scottish Rite. Such influence helps with Master Masons interested in joining both the team and the Scottish Rite enjoying the fellowship of both. When the Degree team is presenting, a large turnout is usual. The team provides the presentation of first class ritual which is reflected in their work of Scottish Rite, and which is pleasing for the attendees.

Leadership
The HIGs are a strong supporting team in themselves of the planning of leaders for the Valley. What they observe in brethren's leadership of the Craft Lodge is encouraged in Scottish Rite - to continue similarly to support Scottish Rite. Masons of this Valley are a very close-knit group.
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They travel together, and work together, and one sees a valuable environment of support. The degree team (above) has travelled nationally and internationally. The high esteem regard is valuable for brethren to desire to be a part of the team.

Communication
All notices are sent by email. The Valley has a new Grand Secretary who has already established himself in office and working to maintain the high standard this Valley has shown in the past. The consideration of a regular newsletter is not as valuable a tool as might be in a larger Valley membership. All members meet regularly in other fraternal groups.

Education and Enlightenment
This Valley has always presented an explanation of the banner of each of the degrees – unique work for the province. All candidates are supplied with copies of the lectures that they receive at a meeting. The material on the website has been brought to their attending and knowing the Valley, it will use this material as supplementary to what is given now.

Valley Fellowship
This Valley was part of the joint meeting of the three Lodges of Perfection in Nanaimo in November 2016 as its celebration of Scottish Rite Week. The close association of Craft Lodges becomes the foundation for fellowship. The main craft lodge in the Valley has an annual Robbie Burns Dinner, as well as an annual gathering of Scottish Rite and Shriners in September of each year. All occurred this year.

Valley Events
The Scottish Rite Week celebration is mentioned above. The brethren of the Valley offer support to many groups, masonic and otherwise to offer a bar service. Donations to that are always donated to the British Columbia Learning Centre for Children with Dyslexia and to the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation.

Financial Health
The Valley is in good financial health. Sound planning through a budget ensures dues are supporting the general running of the Valley.

Survey – progress
The Valley offers education and discussions at meeting when degrees are not conferred. There is serious consideration to invite Scottish Rite Masons who are known to be good speakers, to meetings in the future when no degrees are conferred. Their new knowledge of the contents of the Scottish Rite website is offering them more material to consider. Ill. Bro. David Freeman 32°, author of the contemplations in the website, has moved to the area and affiliated with the Valley. His work and experience will certainly assist in developing Scottish Rite education as a major resource for this Valley.

<u>Fraser Valley</u>
Langley (Fraser Valley) (114)
Fraser Valley Chapter (102)
Official Visit: 15th February, 2017

Membership
Membership of the Valley increased in Perfection and dropped slightly in Rose Croix. The Valley has again received candidates this year, but a smaller number than last year. It is considering revising the use of a Master Mason Evening for next year. The membership is stable, with about the same number of attendees present at meetings. The lodges locally are very busy and involved far more in their lodge work than in the past. Part of the challenge is to find members busy in their lodges to have time for the concordant body. Thus personal contact with brothers

at the moment seems to be the best method to open a conversation about Scottish Rite and offer the invitation. Master Mason Evenings are still worthy to be considered. Plans are also being made to present the Scottish Rite story in craft lodges in the fall.

Leadership
Three Boards of General Purposes are scheduled each year – here are created the schedule for the year, the agenda of other events and identify roles for the degrees. The senior officers of the Lodge are a strong team. From this have come action plans and timelines as well as educational sessions and general integrated planning with Vancouver Valley. Lists of members' roles of the degrees in past years has been created. A sequencing document has been created for one of the degrees. Its purpose is to clarify the work of each role/player. It is planned to duplicate this for each degree to be conferred. Meetings with the TPGM, SGW, JGW and G. Orator occur regularly. It is intended to include more of the Officer in the fall. These are for building team.

Communication
Regular summons are sent via email. Some are still mailed through Canada Post. In the past the Valley has used a newsletter to inform the greater membership of future programs, as well as the timetable of Valley meetings in both its Valley and Vancouver. Unfortunately the editor recognized difficulty in involving members of the Valley to write for the newsletter. The idea of the newsletter has not been lost and plans for next year to reconsider the revising of it are being discussed. The issue of notices in appropriate time is dependent on the Grand Secretary receiving details of degree team rosters on time. The role of Degree Coordinator has been established to ensure that the individual degree directors are submitting their rosters in a timely manner.

Education and Enlightenment
The Thrice Puissant Grand Master has a strong interest in education and has presented two good papers this year. The paper presented at the Official Visit was titled "*The Flower of Life – where Mathematics, Geometry and Spirituality meet*". A second paper was titles *Mystical Masonry.* Both promoted discussion following the presentation with many participating. Plans are for a presentation and demonstration of the use of an AED is scheduled for the fall. At the communication and conferring of the degrees some material composed by an HIG has been used to pass to the new class. The material is well accepted by all.

Valley Fellowship
The annual Ted Thomas barbecue takes place in June for members and families as well as for possible members for Scottish Rite. This coming year the Valley will again hold an Honours Night when one of its members will be recognized for his participation and support of the Valley of the years. The evening will begin with a meeting followed by a banquet. A similar successful event took place two year ago. Many in the Valley have strong commitment to their Craft Lodges, which in this area have full social events, which tend to satisfy the members' needs. A Dinner was organized to welcome the Deputy on his official visit. Plans are for another social event scheduled for the fall.

Valley Events
The First Officer is interested in an Officers' Leadership Workshop in conjunction with Vancouver Valley to take place in the fall 2017. Part of that work will be the building of a Lodge Officers Guide for the Valley in support of instructing the young appointed officers. The guiding hand of the HIGs will be the support the Officer needs. Some Officers are planning visitations to other Valleys to share fellowship as well as to see work conducted by the Valley.

Financial Health
This Valley is in good financial health. Some thoughts have been suggested to begin to support local charities and through a special meeting, to raise funds and present in person to the spokesperson of the particular Charity.

Survey – Progress
No progress has been recorded this year. However in the year it has been noted that the Executive Council when it is established will be the foundation for plans for future years.
Over recent past years Vancouver Valley and Fraser Valley have coordinated the conferring of degrees with joint support in roles of the degree. It is the intention of Fraser Valley to confer at least one obligatory degree with all members from its valley. The increase in membership is now seen as an opportunity for more members' involvement, to more desire of many to take on a chair of Perfection or Rose Croix.

Kamloops
Thompson Valley of Perfection (60)
Thomson Chapter of Rose Croix (60)
Official Visit: 17th November, 2016

Membership
The Valley has decreased in its membership this year. The recent Master Mason evening introduced Scottish Rite to a small number of Master Masons– however only one summited a request for membership. The members prefer to work individually to introduce Scottish Rite to Master Masons rather than plan a special Master Masons event. Their observation of keen Masons, who have already shown interest and diligence in the fraternity, prompts them to approach the brothers. The fraternal groups in the area create social gatherings and are the mainstay of connecting to all. Building interest within Valley is a major focus this year for the future. Review of the Scottish Rite website is to be undertaken, and consideration for a special event specifically for Scottish Rite has been discussed. There is interest in working towards programs with a strong masonic philosophy base. Such events would encompass all fraternal groups. The consideration of moving special events towards weekends to encourage more to attend, and hence travelling would be less of an issue.

Leadership
There is always strong leadership of the Valley. Many of the first officers in the past and present have shown their leadership skills in the Craft Lodges. A strong support of Past TPGMs and HIGs continues to work, diligently seeking the best brethren for the job of leading the Valley. Mentoring is always present for all Perfection and Rose Croix Officers.

Communication
All correspondence to members is electronic. Although there is no newsletter for the Valley, indications suggest that the interest is there to consider for the future. To report to the membership of visits to the nearest valley when conferring degrees is seen as a possible lead to a future newsletter. There is always communication within the Valley following a conferring of degrees in Vernon, with educational discussion of the degree content and message.

Education and Enlightenment
The valley is very fortunate to have several members whose background in education makes for fascinating education at meetings. There is interest in presenting the first, second, and third degrees of Scottish Rite as an approach to introducing Scottish Rite to Master Masons in the area as well a sound education for the present membership. The new material on the website has prompted more interest in Scottish Rite Education and the Valley sees this as an impetus to building attendance.

Valley Fellowship
Much of the fraternal fellowship in the Valley and outlying areas is strong because it is always as inclusive in its plan as it can be. Invitations to social events go to all fraternal groups.

Valley Events
No special event was scheduled for the Scottish Rite week, although the Visit of the Deputy close to the start of the planned week was considered as part of the celebration of Scottish Rite. The banquet before the meeting included ladies of the members attending. It was a pleasure to present at the banquet the 50 year long service jewel to Ill. Bro. Marvin Munro 33**°,** the Past Deputy for British Columbia and Yukon, and to have his wife, Sheran, attend the dinner and present the jewel to her husband.

There is interest in inviting prominent Scottish Rite Masons to the Valley as a drawing card for all Masons of the area. Kamloops has the distinction of establishing the regular visits of International Masons to start a tour of the Province and Alberta and Washington State – work that has started in the late 80's. The province has been recipient of the groundwork from Kamloops to be honoured to receive Masonic Speakers of international renown. That there is strong interest in moving to Scottish Rite presenters speaks well of the value this Valley holds in Education as important work to Freemasons.

Financial Health
The Valley is in good financial health.

Survey – progress
Their focus is now on a longer and larger range plan. The meeting of June each year by the Executive Advisory Committee sets the schedule for the year's work. The executive works closely with both Valley and Chapter, and with the Vernon Valley in the planning of a degree schedule. The successful reunion of Consistory has helped in continuing to make the planning a necessity for future work.
The possible invitation to Scottish Rite Speakers will be reviewed. All Valleys of BC&Y would benefit from the work this Valley does in inviting guests speakers and planned tours to other Valleys. The Valley will continue to search for other opportunities to entice Master Masons to consider Scottish Rite as the next part of individual Masonic journeys.

<u>Nanaimo</u>
Colville (105)
Official Visit: 25th January, 2017

Membership
The membership of Colville LOP continues to be strong and is listed at 105 members as of December 28, 2016.
A package is being assembled of Scottish Rite information material, including an application form to the Valley of Nanaimo to be handed out to all newly raised Master Masons in the Valley's jurisdiction. The month of September is the targeted date for all applications to be received for balloting that same month. There will be a concerted effort to have the "New" Scottish Rite Freemasons take part in degrees following their receiving the 14th degree, even if it is a small walk-on part.

Communication
All communications are sent out via e-mail, where a member does not have an e-mail address, a monthly summons and copy of the former month's minutes are posted to his last known address. All communications received by the Grand Secretary, where he deems the membership should receive, is sent in a similar manner.

Leadership
The Past TPGMs and HIGs continue to play a strong active role in the conferring of degrees, as well as planning of events. The Valley has a strong succession of Officers for the upcoming years. The Valley plans to have a meeting with the incoming TPGM to review his plans for the upcoming year and to offer any assistance that he may require to make his year a success.

Education and Enlightenment
The Valley has a new Grand Orator - installed for 2017, whom is anxious to deliver papers on a regular basis in non-degree meetings. It will also become practice for the Grand Orator to deliver the Introduction and Summary of each degree on the degree night. Material from the new section of the Scottish Rite website is being referred to for educational papers and presentations.

Valley Fellowship
Colville and Strathcona continue to hold a joint installation of officer in February. Attendance remains very high for this particular event. During the year, both Valleys continue to confer degree jointly, moving back and forth between the Valley locations. Where possible the Valley requests Guest Lecturer's to attend. Ill Bro. Phillip Durell 33° attended a Colville degree this past year, to deliver the lecture.

On Official Visits, of the Deputy of BC and Yukon in 2016, a formal dinner was organized, with overwhelming support from Victoria, Nanaimo, Strathcona and Vancouver valleys. Net proceeds from the formal dinner were donated to the BC Learning Centre.

Valley Events
Colville LOP continues to hold a Joint BBQ in June of each year with the local Nanaimo and District Shrine Club. This event is open to all concordant bodies and their relatives and friends. Scottish Rite Freemasons will once again this year participate in the Annual "Friends of Art Berry" Memorial Golf Tournament, as well as participate in the Annual "Van Isle Shriners Show and Shine". Colville LOP is privileged this year to have one of its members honoured with the 33rd Degree in September 2017 in Montréal, Québec.

On Wednesday 5th April, Ill. Bro. Allan Falconer 32° and Ill. Bro. Ken Slawson 32°, with several others in attendance, presented a bursary cheque to Ms. Theresa May Putz. It was not possible to coordinate the presentation with a Scottish Rite meeting unfortunately due to the busy schedule of the recipient to attend. The presentation was conducted in the lodge room in Nanaimo.

Connecting/Supporting of Craft Freemasonry
The Valley continues to develop a bond with a Scottish Rite Freemasonry presentation made at all Craft Lodges within the Valley's jurisdiction.

Financial Health
The Grand Treasurer, through an annual budget and monthly reports, continues to monitor the financial stability of the Valley. Colville LOP has a balanced budget each year.

The idea brought forward in early 2016 of having a Chapter of Rose Croix in mid Vancouver Island, has been set aside, for the time being. After several meetings and careful deliberation, it was decided that there was not enough Officer succession for three years running to enable the viability of this challenge. Discussion continues with the Chapter of Rose Croix Victoria, to possibly have a few of the meetings in the mid island each year to help increase the membership.

From the Survey
The Valley feels that the Education factor will be addressed this year and that continued shared Installation and Degree meetings with Strathcona will keep both Valleys strong in both Membership and Fellowship.

Prince George
Cariboo Valley (Prince George) (61)
New Caledonia Chapter (56)
Official Visit: 28th November, 2016, 24-26 February, 2017

Membership
Membership in the Valley has remained stable. From the Reunion from last year new members have been included in much of the presentation of degrees. All of which brings the influence of Scottish Rite to a larger audience. There is a gained interest and enthusiasm in the Rite and the Valley is working to continue that higher profile. In February the New Caledonia Chapter held a Reunion – first reunion for many years - for its members and members from Prince Rupert Valley (Skeena). A total of 22 candidates were planned for the event - 16 were in attendance. A great amount of work to stage this event again falls on the hard working core of members from the Chapter. With new added members to its Chapter the Valley is experiencing keen interest in Scottish Rite again. Thanks also to Ill. Bro. John Teleske 33° for attending for the weekend events and supporting the weekend. Plans are now made for many Sovereign Princes to fly to Vancouver for the Consistory reunion in the fall.

The Craft Lodges held a Grand Masonic Day and that included a presentation about Scottish Rite.

The Valley membership continues to be heavily involved with several bodies of Freemasonry. Their commitment to Craft, and Scottish Rite as well as other fraternal organizations is excellent support of Freemasonry in the middle of the Province and is to be commended.

Communication
A majority of notices are sent electronically with a small number sent by regular mail for those not connected with computers. The Valley does not have a newsletter, but the notices give full details of events to come.

Leadership
Attendance at the meetings has increased. New members have made it a point to support the Valley now having completed the degrees of Perfection. And many have now assisted in the obligatory degrees. The enthusiasm shown is a catalyst for the Valley to continue to seek more members. Much of that is due to the commitment of officers and Honourary Inspectors-General of the Valley. Having now worked through a recent reunion of Perfection, and with more members to show leadership in the work of the Valley, the officers are looking more positively to the future for further growth.

Education and Enlightenment
The TPGM planned for education material presented at each of their meetings and the use of material from the website has been the incentive to include the new direction of the work of a meeting.

Valley Fellowship
With younger members entering Scottish Rite their influence in the Craft Lodges is evident. As reported before, fraternal connections cross many masonic boundaries. Much fellowship is conducted while travelling to events, which are sometimes several hours away. Fellowship is strong and committed to the tenets of Freemasonry.

Valley Events - Scottish Rite Week
There was no special meeting held during the week announced by our Sovereign Grand Commander but a week later at my official visit to the New Caledonia Chapter where 25

members attended, the largest attendance for this small Valley for some time. The 15th degree was conferred at that time on their new class.

Financial Health
Financial health of the Valley remains sound.

On cannot thank this Valley enough for their work in support of Skeena Valley in Terrace (Prince George Valley), which through its hard work has seen significant positive development of the Skeena Valley, and its renewed interest in Scottish Rite.

Prince Rupert
Skeena (32)
Official Visit: 24th April, 2017

Membership
The membership in the valley has increased by 25% this year. Much of that is due to the support of the Prince George Valley for their generous help in holding both a reunion for Perfection and for Rose Croix. Success must also be attributed to the regular conversation of the members of the local Craft Lodge who are the mainstay of the members of the valley. Regular discussions are bringing many to the Valley desiring to join. Plans are being made to hold a major Master Mason Night in October 2017. The Valley has come a long way since the last visit of the Deputy, and with renewed interest, it is hoped the Valley will become more active over this coming years.

Communication
All communications are sent electronically with the exception of one member. Because of the closeness of members the idea of a newsletter is not being considered for the future. Those members coming from the same lodge are in constant connection with both the Craft Lodge and Scottish Rite. It must be acknowledged that Scottish Rite members living out of the town of Terrace have long travelling times to and from the Valley meetings. Their commitment in particular is a lesson of strong desire to be a Scottish Rite member.

Leadership
The three Officers of the valley are the executive of the Valley with the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer. Because of the small numbers in its membership, the Valley will continue to have two-year terms for the officers. Those members with more senior experience are supporting the young officers. It is expected with plans to continue to build membership there will be a time when officer will hold positions for one year.

Education and Enlightenment
This Valley is regrouping. As such its main focus has been on members and building the roster. Little Education as yet has been injected into the work of the lodge. Degrees are the education. The Website has begun to be used to use material now available and the TPGM plans to see future lodge meeting always have some education drawn from what is now available. A list of resources available for purchasing has been placed in the hands of the Grand Secretary to be distributed to the members.

Valley Fellowship
Much of the fellowship is precipitated from the closeness of members to the local Craft Lodge. There is little need for Scottish Rite Social Events with the large number of events from Craft Lodge. In these, families are a regular attenders. Interest has been shown in an open installation for the Valley, which I think would fit well.

Valley Events
The valley meets March to October, and is dark from November to February inclusive, and therefore the Valley did not celebrate Scottish Rite week in November 2016. With the officers' term for two years, the Valley sees the growth of new members to be steady in the future. Many social events are centred around the Craft Lodge in town. Other Lodges in the District participate but are hampered with distance to travel to the central location of Terrace

Financial Health
The Valley is in a healthy position. A budget will be presented in October.

Plans for the future
With the new by-laws now complete, the plan is to move to a regular budget presented with end of year financial statement, the stronger support of the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation and Learning Centre, and a planned Master Mason night in the fall of 2017.

Castlegar / Nelson
Kootenay-Boundary (43)
Kokanee Chapter (34)
Official Visit: 26th September, 2016

Membership
Membership has remained stable for the past year. The Valley has received some opposition to speak about the Scottish Rite in local lodges. The Fraternal area does not fully condone and support concordant bodies. Difficulty in gaining interested Master Masons to extend their fraternal knowledge, and masonic journey requires the brethren to work personally with brethren seeking an interest in the Valley. Serious consideration is now being discussed to organize a special Master Mason evening for the coming year. Membership extends across a large area with local Scottish Rite members being the mainstay of the officers for the Valley and Chapter.

Communication
Emails are the preferred method of informing the membership of the Valleys meetings. Some are still requiring hard copies of information. The details of the communication are the standard expectation. There is no newsletter or extended information on the notice for news of the fellowship. This topic was discussed with the brethren. Might there be opportunity to add details of the fellowship of the Scottish Rite?

Leadership
The Lodge of Perfection have senior officers hold the office for a two term period, due mainly to the distances that the brethren have to travel to attend as well as the unpredictable weather of that area of the province. Leadership is looked at carefully for new officers to be elected into the offices of the Valley. A strong support from the Honorary Grand Inspectors helps the Valley to maintain its presence. It is pleasing to have a brother from this valley receive the honours of Supreme Council.

Education and Enlightenment
The Valley has not realized the potential of the new section of the SR website. At the Official Visit the Thrice Puissant Grand Master gave a paper - *How symbols helped put a man on the moon*. The discussion that followed involved all the attendees. On learning about the material available on the Scottish Rite Website, there will be further plans put into place for more education in future meetings.

Valley Fellowship
The membership enjoys the fellowship that the Valley offers when it meets. Many of the membership are supporters of the Order of the Eastern Star and it is planned to acknowledge

and celebrate its work and its support of the fraternity in general in Trail and outlying areas. All members remain active in Craft Lodges, and at which the personal connections are assisting Master Masons to apply for membership to Scottish Rite.

Valley Events
The Valley does not hold any special events for Scottish Rite. Many social events stem from the Craft Lodge events, to which many Scottish Rite members support.

Financial Health
The Valley has a sound footing of their finances and is not requiring at this time any review of income to support the work of the Valley.

Survey Progress (area covered by the Valley approximately 500km east to west)
Insufficient response to the 2015 survey did not assist the Valley with any focused planning for the future. However, the Valley's greatest concern is membership. This valley has received one or two applications for membership each year for several years – the difficulty is in maintaining these members. With the consideration for a well-planned Master Mason Evening, the Valley is optimistic to see more Master Masons interested in joining Scottish Rite. The Valley has noted the potential of the new Education material available on the website as building more interesting meetings in the future.

<u>Vancouver</u>
Vancouver Lodge of Perfection (200)
Vancouver Chapter of Rose Croix (186)
BC Consistory (393)
Official Visit: 15th November, 2016 – extra visits 30th September, 2016, 21-21 October, 2016.

Membership
The present class for the valley is 21 – a large class due to the revised initiatives of the Valley. The Master Mason Evening in September was well planned, with permission for family to attend. It was well attended both Master Masons and members of the Valley with their wives. Plans are already in progress for a similar evening in September 2017. More word of mouth from the class of candidates about the quality of the Scottish Rite Valley is being used to seek others to consider joining the Valley.

Communication
Regular emails are used to inform membership of the notice of meetings. This year in particular the database is being thoroughly checked, as the Valley has to seek temporary accommodation while the building, now being used, is to be replaced by new accommodation on the same site. It is expected for the new building to be ready by 2020. Assuring that all communication details are correct will be necessary for the Grand Secretary to ensure all know where meetings will be held. It is possible that several sites will be used during this time. The storage of costumes and props is the big problem the Valley has to deal with. It was with sadness that the Valley learned of the passing of Ill. Bro. Robert A. Kitchen 32° and the most senior Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia and Yukon, and a members of Scottish Rite for many years.

Leadership
The Valley continues to have its Executive Committee meet with the first Officers of the Valley and HIGs present with junior officers and other brothers wishing to attend. Mixture of attendees gives a sound response to ideas and plans. Already a positive effect has been noted with quality work brought to the Valley. Careful mentoring of the officers is now more present, and motivation is creating excitement in the gatherings of the Valley. Principle Officer of all three bodies meet in January, and which meets at least four times a year for planning the program for

the year. Vancouver has appointed 2 class mentors for the candidates and appointed a Ritual Director for the valley as well as Ritual Coordinators for each body. The Valley is building a database of a past and present list of those who have presented work in the degrees, and to add to it from new members those interested in joining the degree teams. The plan is that all memory work will have two brethren ready to present.

Education and Enlightenment
Education has been present for the last two years now in Lodge program – part of the planning from the Principle Officers meetings. The communication of degrees -- obligation followed by the presentation of facts and the lecture of the degree remain. Reviewing of the material on the website is being sent to the members for personal study – or as a replacement of an explanation of the communicated degrees. Part of the improved work of the Valley has been the gentle persuasion for all officers and members of the Degrees to memorize their role material.

Valley Fellowship
The Valley plans for dinners before meetings when special events during the year occur: - the conferring of the 14th Degree, Maundy Thursday, and following the conferring of the 32 Degree. Both Fraser Valley and Vancouver Valley continue to work together to support each other in conferring degrees.

Valley events
The Valley held a Master Mason evening in September. Ill. Bro. A. Gordon 33° acted as MC explaining Scottish Rite and Ill. Bro. John Teleske 33° presented the work of the Learning Centre inviting any to view the centre which was next to the lodge room used for the Master Mason evening. A portion of the 16th degree was also presented as an example of the colourful dramas that Scottish Rite offers. The Master Mason evening is a well-planned annual event for the Valley. The Valley conducts the Installation of the three bodies in January. A festive board follows the installation, as the Valley does after all meetings. Other social events are not part of the ethos of the Valley. With plenty of Craft Festive occasions in the City, the Valley membership has plenty of opportunity to join in them.

Financial Health
The Financial health of the Valley is sound. The Valley Foundation supports special events and dinners that are scheduled during the year. It has a Board of Trustees which offers support when they see the need. The Valley voted to give $500,000 to the British Columbia Learning Centre for Children with Dyslexia. The foundation is still very healthy. Interest from the fund will continue to support the Learning Centre.

Survey progress
Following the results of the survey in 2015, the Valley is now planning three surveys to candidates for the degrees. The first is prior to the conferring of the 4th degree – seeking interests of the candidates and hopeful expectations of joining Scottish Rite. The second is given following the conferring of the 14th degree – seeking interest in taking part of one of the degrees conferred, as well as becoming an officer of the Valley. The third survey follows the conferring of the 32 degree, when again the Valley is searching for interest in taking a role in any of the degrees as well as supporting Scottish Rite as an officer.

Consideration for regional officers with the large membership to keep updated – contact with details of upcoming events, know the membership better, seek involvement of members in the work of the Valley, personal contact through that contact officer, support to widows more regional, and keep data base more current. Such consideration would enhance the work of the Grand Secretary greatly, working with a small number of members to reach out to the full membership. There could be at least 6 or more regions.

Vernon
Okanagan LOP (133)
Moray RC (116)
Morning Star Consistory (124)
Official Visit: 4th May, 2017.

Membership
There has been a slight increase in the LOP, and more so in Consistory. Much of the work for new members to the Valley comes from personal connections. That is accomplished by regular attendance at their Craft Lodges. As much as there appears in theory advantages to conducting a Master Masons evening, the culture of the Valley does not support such a venture. Any Master Mason wishing to consider Scottish Rite in personal development is contacted and mentors are found to support the brother. The Valley uses the knowledge that the Perfection degrees enhance the Craft Degrees, and the message is used to provide stronger support to the new candidate and encouragement to Master Masons inquiring of the Scottish Rite. The Valley holds a barbecue in the summer for the prospective candidates. Scottish Rite members are a strong presence in the Crafts Lodges. Most installations are supported and aided by the work of Scottish Rite Masons – actual installation, and presenting of the inner workings.

Leadership
Mentors for each of the Bodies in the Valley are in place, and which support the principal officers. Meetings of senior officers encourage the successive planning of younger officers to progress. A February meeting of the Advisory Committee to present a slate of officers for the installation is used to streamline the successive planning of the bodies. The Committee is a strong support for the Valley leadership and is composed of senior officers of the bodies, mentors, and HIGs.

Communication
All notices are sent by email with a very small group still requiring notice via Canada Post. A phone committee is in place as well as the use of Messaging on iPhones. A Google Calendar is used for the Valley and it being connected to the Grand Lodge Website.

Education and Enlightenment
The content of Communication degree material is always evaluated to determine quality and appropriateness. The Valley uses material from a senior member as well as supplemental material from the Information guides from the SR website. The Grand Secretary also issues material to the class through emails. A presentation of the “History of Scottish Rite” was given by Ill. Bro. Marvin Munro 33° during the year. The event proved to be most successful as the topic was of material very few knew.

Valley Fellowship
Because of the large number of events through sponsorship of the Craft Lodges, the Valley will participate in those more than consider a Scottish Rite event. There is a social Committee consisting of Craft, Scottish Rite and Shrine which meets monthly and which conducts three major social events per year. This provides an opportunity to meet as well as opportunity for new members and families to meet with the Valley membership.

Valley Events
This year will be the first year that the Consistory will move from a two year term of its officers to a one year term for officers…membership has grown and the development of a strong line of officers makes that change to be made – a good example of strong progress.

Financial Health
The financial health of the Valley is sound.

Survey Plans and Progress

- The 17th degree is to be presented in the schedule of the Rose Croix. Already members are rallying to help with this first time event.
- Education in the past year has been received well. The Valley is reviewing the material, which is presented to the class after each degree. It will be a combination of their own material as well as that from the SR website.
- There has been work to be more welcoming with the members through the use of Messaging on the electronic phones. The plan has been that of the TPGM and he plans to continue its use. It appears that being *intentionally inviting* is paying off.
- The calendar in place is to be expanded to the Province through the GL website. Encouragement of Craft Lodges to use the Google calendars can be melded with the SR Valley calendar.

Victoria
Victoria Valley (220)
Victoria Chapter (340)
Vancouver Island Consistory (319)
Official Visit: 13th December, 2016

Membership
Membership has been stable for several years around 220. This year, 11 candidates received the degrees of Perfection, which is about the standard number for the Valley. In 2016 a presentation for Master Masons was not held because the year before a breakfast for Master Masons to be introduced to Scottish Rite Masonry resulted in only 3 petitions. The 'Master Mason Event' approach does not seem to be beneficial for introducing Scottish Rite to Master Masons. More effective has been the individual approached by members of the Scottish Rite Masons in their Craft Lodges.

The statistics for changes in membership are all contained in the annual report.

This year the LOP has decided that all meetings scheduled for Perfection are now used to confer the obligatory degrees and installation of officers.

For the first year all three bodies of SR – Perfection, Rose Croix and Consistory held a joint installation. Very positive response from all who attended.

Leadership
We have been fortunate in having a large number of seasoned Craft lodge officers join Scottish Rite. They have shown a willingness to take on roles in the Rite. Because of the close relationships among officers of the Rite and previous officers of the Rite that belong to the same Craft lodge, we are able to assist new officers to perform their duties. The secretaries also provide a lot of coaching to the officers. The HIG nomination process involves all of the current HIGs and has proven to be effective over many years.

The Valley has a weekly lunch which many officers and potential candidates attend. The lunch builds strong relationships among the members and officers and allows for early planning events and meetings. Add that the senior members of the lodge many past TPGMs are constantly seeking potential in the members for leadership roles and an informal supportive nature matures the brothers in preparation for his role. Support is key.

Communication
Notice electronically and by regular mail to 40 members. With 375 members, the focus is on preparing for meetings, planning for degrees, processing membership changes and collecting dues. The Valley has evolved to three secretaries – one for each body - and an Assistant Secretary who is responsible for dues collection.

Education and Enlightenment
Degrees have been used as the primary method of education. Candidates have noted the quality of the degrees year after year. Unfortunately, as much as there is a strong number in each class, the Valley is experiencing difficulty encouraging members to take parts in the degrees. Some of the larger parts in degrees have been presented by the same individuals for 10 or more years, sometimes even up to 30 years.

Candidates are sent the lectures of the degrees by the secretaries after the degrees are communicated or conferred. Informal education comes from on PTPGM who seeks a short program to be presented at the Festive Board following the meetings.

Valley Fellowship
After every meeting the festive board is well attended. A weekly lunch keeps many members actively connected with Scottish Rite. A large contingent will travel over 200 Km round trip to Nanaimo annually for the conferral of the 30th degree. This year 25 members and candidates made the trip. This has been an excellent way for members to get to know the candidates in Victoria Valley as well as members of the Valleys of Nanaimo and Campbell River.

Valley Events
The 24th degree conferral was named as the Jesse Battle recognition evening. Unfortunately Ill. Bro. Battle was unable to attend. Six members of the Valley with the Deputy made a special presentation of the Order of Merit Jewel to him at a coffee morning when he was able to attend the lodge building. Long Service recognitions for Ill. Bro. Ray Bryant, 33° and Ill. Bro. Marvin Munroe 33° were presented to both in December at the official visit of the Deputy to the Victoria Valley. Ill. Bros. Bryant and Munro had held Active membership to Supreme Council for many years, have travelled together and had a most unique friendship over those 50 years. Ill. Bro. Munro received his Long Service award in Kamloops in November but wished to attend in Victoria to see his friend also receive his long service.

A bursary was presented to Ms. Melissa Boston. The Deputy presented that prior to a meeting of the Craft Lodge (Britannia Lodge No. 73 GLBC&Y) of which her Step-father is a member. Many Scottish Rite members from that lodge and others in the district as well as the District Deputy Grand Master of District 21 (Victoria), Rt. Wor. Bro. Chris Dalley, attended that presentation.

Financial Health
The Valley have large reserves in investments. The Valley started a structured program to collect dues; it is being conducted by the Assistant Secretary.
A recent notice of motion, to raise the dues, was passed by the brethren present.

	2017	**2018**	**2019**
Victoria Lodge of Perfection	$30.00	$40.00	$50.00
Victoria Chapter of Rose Croix	$15.00	$20.00	$25.00
Vancouver Island Consistory	$15.00	$20.00	$25.00
	$60.00	**$80.00**	**$100.00**

Survey progress
Nothing has been planned. The Valley is attempting to get the officers more involved in planning the strategic activities of the Valley. This has had mixed results because many of the officers are also very active in Craft lodges and other concordant bodies. A small number of dedicated members do most of the work that sustains the Valley, a situation that is not sustainable.

Respectfully submitted,
Stephen Godfrey, 33°
Deputy for British Columbia & Yukon Territory

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Report of the Deputy For
MANITOBA AND NUNAVUT TERRITORY

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers, and Brethren:

I respectfully submit this, my report as the Deputy for Manitoba and Nunavut Territory, on the Valley of Brandon and the Valley of Winnipeg for 2016-2017.

As part of our support of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba's efforts to ensure cooperation and harmony amongst the Masonic Family, I had the honor and pleasure to bring greetings on behalf of the Supreme Council at the following events:

The Installation of Officers of Khartum Shriners
The Installation for the Daughters of the Nile Sphinx Temple
The Grand Assembly of Cryptic Rite Masons of Western Canada
The Grand Convocation of the Royal Arch Masons of Manitoba
Grand Chapter of Manitoba Order of the Eastern Star Annual Session
Grand Lodge of Manitoba Annual Communication

I also routinely attended meetings the bi-monthly meetings of the Masonic Family Committee for the Grand Lodge of Manitoba

The Active Member, Ill. Bro. Al Hadley, 33°, also attended a number of these events as well, often performing double duty as a representative of Scottish Rite and other Masonic bodies.

We were saddened by the loss of three Honorary Inspectors-General this year – Ill. Bro. Randy Vandermeulen, 33°, Ill. Bro. Tom Sidebottom, 33° and Ill. Russ Tennant, 33°. Their lives and passing are commemorated elsewhere in these proceedings. These men made significant contributions to Scottish Rite Freemasonry in Manitoba and we mourn their loss.

Valley of Brandon
It was my pleasure to visit the Valley of Brandon on three occasions – September 2016 and January 2017.

Membership
The Valley initiated no candidates into the Lodge of Perfection this year. The Valley's membership has been stable for many years, but this year it experienced a number of demits and deaths, pushing the membership base to its lowest level in some time. Valley leadership has recognized this and continues to seek out qualified candidates.
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Communication
The Valley issues a monthly summons, with information on upcoming meetings, degrees and events. The primary method of transmission is by e-mail, although some members still receive hard copies by post. The Valley Secretary is also diligent in providing regular e-mail alerts and updates for matters of interest, or when timing precludes waiting until the next summons.

Leadership
Valley officers serve one-year terms. Because of the small size of the Valley, it is not unusual for officers to repeat chairs as needed. However, the Valley does a good job of involving new members in leadership roles.

The Valley has had some challenges at the Secretary level in the past three years, a number of incumbents challenged by health or other issues. The Valley has split the Secretary duties between two brethren, and other brethren pick up the slack when needed.

Uniqueness
The Valley supports a scholarship provided to students at the local community college.

Financial Health
The financial affairs of the Valley are managed responsibly and the financial position of the Valley is expected to be stable in the next 5 years.

Fellowship/Social
The Valley holds a number of events, notably a Fish Fry in the summer that includes families, and a post-Relighting of the Lights breakfast that includes the wives.

Valley Improvement Plans
The Valley leadership has developed a long-term Valley Improvement Plan, but is diligent in addressing issues as they arise.

General
The Valley of Brandon is a small but dedicated Valley, operating with a high degree of fellowship and fraternal cooperation. Its members maintain close ties to other Masonic bodies and the community.

Valley of Winnipeg
I had attended the Valley of Winnipeg on a near-monthly basis.

The Valley participated in Scottish Rite Week by hosting a Ladies Night at Celebrations Dinner Theatre. The event was enjoyed by all, with considerable talk about ensuring Ladies Nights happened on a more regular basis.

Before reporting on specific aspects of the Valley of Winnipeg's year, I should note the significant administrative turmoil experienced by the Valley in 2016-17. As described below, the Valley Finance Committee spent the summer of 2016 reviewing the finances of the Valley, to determine how to generate considerable savings. As a result, the paid Executive Secretary position was eliminated and the office space in the Masonic Memorial Temple was surrendered.

As a result of external factors beyond the control of the Valley, communication with the former Executive Secretary became difficult, and the transition to a volunteer secretary without a central office was impacted. Valley officers discovered many administrative items that were in need of attention, and it took months to locate the necessary files. As a result, most forward-looking activities in the Valley fell by the wayside as the officers focused on rationalizing the business of the Valley and performing the ritual work.

Membership
Degrees are conferred on a monthly basis. The Valley conferred the Lodge of Perfection degrees on 2 candidates in the fall of 2016. The Chapter and Consistory degrees were performed on both candidates in the winter and spring of 2017.

Valley membership continues to decline through deaths and voluntary departures. The Valley leadership has recognized that the existing membership trend will make it hard to sustain the work in the future, and is developing a new membership program.

At its Reunion in 2014-15, the Valley initiated a number of candidates from Dryden, Ontario, which is approximately midway between Winnipeg and Thunder Bay. These brethren have noted that the distance makes a meaningful Scottish Rite experience difficult. As Dryden is outside my jurisdiction, I have been consulting with Ill. Bro. David Bennet, 33o, Deputy for Ontario, and the Dryden brethren on how to establish a Scottish Rite Club.

Communication
As part of the transition, the bi-monthly Valley summons has fallen by the wayside. As an interim measure, meeting notices are sent by e-mail. The Valley is also updating its web site.

Leadership
Valley officers serve one-year terms. In the past it was relatively uncommon for past officers of one body to move through the chairs of the other two bodies, but it has become much more common in recent years. As a result, all three bodies have experienced officers serving in new roles.

Incoming principal officers are responsible for identifying new officers for their respective bodies.

A number of members who have not previously taken on leadership roles have stepped forward, and they show considerable promise. The Valley has also begun holding informal workshops on leadership and ritual.

Uniqueness
Valley administrative affairs are executed through a Valley Council, composed of officers from all three bodies. This arrangement has been in place for years, and has been successful in ensuring that the work of the Valley is planned and executed efficiently and harmoniously.

Financial Health
The Valley Finance Committee spent the summer of 2016 reviewing the finances of the Valley, to determine how to generate considerable savings. In particular, the Finance Committee noted that salaries and rent had remained relatively constant in real terms, despite a significant decline in membership. Since the Valley was paying a fixed amount of rent to the Masonic Memorial Temple, on a per capita basis its rent was double the rent paid by tenant Craft Lodges.

The Finance Committee recommended that the paid Executive Secretary position be eliminated, to be replaced by a volunteer secretary, and that the Valley give up its office space in the Temple. These 2 measures reduced the overall budget in excess of 20%. The measures were approved by the Valley Council, and the changes took effect on January 1, 2107.

The changes will improve the financial stability of the Valley. However, the transition to the new operating model did not proceed smoothly, and it has taken considerable time to rebuild the accounts to determine the actual financial position.

The Valley has been consistently delinquent in filing its AF reports for several years. As a result of the new operating model, responsibility for preparing the reports has been moved from the

Executive Secretary to the Finance Committee. While it is hoped that this change will result in better compliance in the future, as of June 1, 2017 the Valley still had not filed its 2016 reports.

Fellowship/Social
The Valley sponsors a Luncheon Group, which has been meeting on the second Wednesday of the month for more than 50 years.

The Valley holds an open joint installation of officers in May, with family, friends and distinguished guests in attendance.

Valley Improvement Plans
Dues to the pressing nature of the issues arising from the administrative changes, the Valley leadership has not been able to give attention to a long-term Valley Improvement Plan.

General
The Valley recognizes that it faces long-term systemic issues, and has regular discussions about how to address those issues. The Valley continues to perform the ritual with diligence and skill, while providing fellowship and growth opportunities for its members.

Respectfully submitted,
Gordon Greasley, 33°
Deputy for Manitoba and Nunavut Territory

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Report of the Deputy For
NEW BRUNSWICK

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers, and Brethren:

Membership
Membership numbers are declining in all three valleys. We continue to be unable to welcome new members faster than losing existing members due to death, demits and suspensions. Moncton Valley holds a Master Mason night each year; Saint John employs a Membership Committee which has representatives in each of the area Craft Lodges and Fredericton actively recruits new members but departures still outnumber arrivals. This trend is reflected in the valley annual returns.

Leadership
Training sessions are held to assist in the ritual and floor work associated with the opening and closing ceremonies of regular meetings. Valley Advisory Committees provide input to presiding officers in the preparation of a yearly plan. Assistance is offered by HIGs to execute the plan and members are encouraged to offer suggestions for inclusion in the plan. The three principal officers of each body are schooled in ‘rules of order’ to apply during each business meeting. Degree directors provide training and advice to each degree cast.

Communications
All three bodies rely on meeting notices as the primary communication vehicle. Messages from the presiding officer are usually included in the notice. Upcoming events are promoted within the notice. Notices are distributed to email subscribers otherwise Canada Post is used. The telephone is used for urgent matters or personal contact. Members are encouraged to access the Scottish Rite website to further their knowledge of Freemasonry.
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Financial Health
It has been said that yearly dues should cover the operating expenses, however, with today's ever increasing expenses and our declining membership, that objective has certainly become outdated. Now to supplement yearly dues, we rely heavily on the return on investments. It is therefore safe to say that our financial health is directly dependent on the market. During a good year, our health is likewise good while a poor market year shortens our future viability.

Fellowship
During the year, the valleys hold social events which provide an opportunity for family involvement. Moncton has held a Robbie Burns night for several years. The Christmas Wine & Cheese Social is held in Saint John every year and Fredericton's social events all raise money for the Moncton Learning Centre. Of course, there is always the fellowship enjoyed previous to and following every meeting. A new event consisting of a day at the cottage of a member is planned for this summer.

Comments/Observations
Our valleys extend thanks to the Education & Enlightenment Committee. Members have for some time asked for more information on degrees particularly those which are communicated. The explanations provided by the E & E Committee were well received and informative.

The well-being of the Scottish Rite in New Brunswick is certainly at risk. Each valley is represented by a relatively small group of dedicated members who are getting older. The influx of younger, energetic members is urgently needed for us to survive. These same individuals belong to several Masonic organizations and cannot be everywhere at once.

Respectfully submitted,
Chesley R. Piercey, 33°
Deputy for New Brunswick

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Report of the Deputy For
NOVA SCOTIA, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, NEWFOUNDLAND & LABRADOR

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers, and Brethren:

It is my pleasure to report on the condition and activities of Scottish Rite Freemasonry in the Valleys under my jurisdiction – Halifax and Sydney, NS, Summerside, PEI, St. John's, NL.

Valley of Halifax
Membership
The membership of this Valley experienced a slight decline of 18 members this year. Of this number 7 were suspended for non-payment of dues, 14 members were issued demits, and 21 (7 H.I.G.'s) members passed to the Grand Lodge above.

Their current membership numbers (as of December 31, 2016) are:
Victoria Lodge of Perfection (279)
Keith Sovereign Chapter of Rose Croix (273)
Nova Scotia Consistory (377)

This year, once again, there were several presentations given at a number of Craft Lodges. They take great pride in having a select number of Brethren promote Scottish Rite within their
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lodges. On April 29th, the Valley of Halifax, held a Master Masons Night, and on May 20th, the Scottish Rite Club in Annapolis Valley received dispensation to portray part of the 6th Degree to a group of Master Masons.

Communications
The Valley emails, and in the event of no email address, postal service is used to deliver the Regular Monthly Summons. Minutes of all meetings are distributed via email, and hard copies are readily available at the meetings. Their website is kept up to date, informing visitors and members of upcoming events.

Leadership
I feel that the leadership of this Valley remains strong, as was evident at the meeting in October, with the Sovereign Grand Commander and Deputy. There were 13 in attendance from the Valley, and a number of topics were freely discussed. The Leadership Team then reported on what they felt was going well and what areas needed improvement. The team then offered their thoughts on what could be done to address some of the problem areas of the Valley.

Valley Fellowship
Each September the Valley hosts a Leadership Seminar to outline the duties and responsibilities of the officers in their respective bodies. In October of 2016, the Valley hosted the official visit of the Sovereign Grand Commander and Deputy with a luncheon. The annual Ladies Night, Maundy Thursday and Easter Sunday ceremonies were also held. After each regular meeting, a social with the Brethren takes place for the benefit of fellowship. In November, the Valley hosted a reunion for Scottish Rite week.

Uniqueness
Their one main uniqueness is that they have a Learning Centre within their Valley. Each year the members look forward to supporting this centre. Reports on the Learning Centre are given at each regular meeting of the Valley. This year the Valley was involved in the 10th Anniversary celebrations of the Learning Centre.

Support to Craft Lodges
A number of Scottish Rite Brethren attended Craft Lodges and gave presentations about the Learning Centre and Scottish Rite in general. Many of these Brethren are very active in their lodges.

Financial Health
The financial health of the Valley of Halifax remains strong.

<u>Valley of Sydney</u>
Membership
The Cape Breton Lodge of Perfection (128)
The Isle Royale Chapter of Rose Croix (110)

These figures represent a loss in membership in both bodies. The Leadership Team continues to put membership high on their priority list. I feel that in order for these bodies to increase their numbers, greater emphasis will have to be placed on membership.

Communications
All members receive their Summons by either email or regular mail. These notices are informative and thoughtful in order to attract members to the meetings.

Leadership
As in previous years, the Valley officers serve a one year term. They are selected by a nominating Committee, which seeks out members who are willing to commit to serve the Valley. The average attendance at the Lodge of Perfection meetings is 30, and at the Rose Croix is 25.

Fellowship
A brief time of fellowship is held after the body meets, whether they meet in Glace Bay or Baddeck. A social with their ladies was held last year at the North Inn in Sydney for the Deputy's visit with a presentation of 25, 50 and 60 year membership pins.

Uniqueness
I find this Valley to be a very close group. Their efforts to support the A. & A. S. R. are taken very seriously by all members.

Financial Health
I have been informed that this Valley is in very good financial shape.

Valley of Summerside, PEI
Membership
The membership for the Valley of Summerside, PEI as of December 31, 2016 was as follows:

Albert Edward Lodge of Perfection (66)
Gordon L. Bennett Chapter of Rose Croix (58)

This year they had four regular meetings with an average attendance of 17. Along with their regular meetings, they had a Reunion of the Chapter on November 19 and celebrated the Easter Ceremonies with an attendance of 22 members.

Leadership and Succession Planning
Last year saw an election of officers for a two year term 2016 - 2018. Their elections are held in October with a joint meeting in April for the installation of its officers.

Fellowship and Unique Charitable Activities
In June of 2016 a lobster supper was held in New Glasgow. In attendance were the Brethren and Ladies of the Valley, along with a number of Master Masons, one of which included the Grand Master of PEI. At this fundraiser event the Deputy made his official Visit and had the opportunity to address the gathering. That year the Halifax Learning Centre received the largest donation yet from the Valley.

Financial Health
Finances are in excellent health from dues alone. Contingency funds are available from the endowment. Interest from this allows the Valley to donate $ 1000.00 each year to the Halifax Learning Centre. They have no debts.

Valley of St. John's, NL
Membership
The membership of The Valley of St. John's, as of December 31, 2016 was as follows:
Centennial Lodge of Perfection (93)
MacGillivary Chapter of Rose Croix (89)
Newfoundland and Labrador Consistory (61)

In 2016 the Valley experienced its largest growth in membership in a number of years. They were fortunate to have 11 Brothers initiated into L.O.P. and 23 became members of the Chapter. However the Valley experienced 4 deaths, 4 resignations, and 2 suspensions. The overall result was an increase in total membership from 231 to 243. Perhaps the most

satisfying membership result was the rejoining of 4 former members of the Valley, 3 of which had been absent for over 20 years.

Communications
The Valley held 7 Executive Committee meetings, 7 meetings of the Centennial Lodge of Perfection, 5 meetings of the MacGillivary Chapter of Rose Croix, and 4 meetings of the Newfoundland and Labrador Consistory. Average attendance at each of the various bodies was as follows: Executive Committee - 7, Centennial Lodge of Perfection - 26, MacGillivary Chapter of Rose Croix – 30, the Newfoundland and Labrador Consistory -19.

Email continues to be the main vehicle for the Valley Communications. The executive continues to encourage the Brethren to utilize the Supreme Council's website. Their notice paper continues to include links to communication and Valley leadership, interesting educational pieces and local pictures and articles covering the Valleys activities.

Leadership and Succession Planning
In 2016, the Valley added one more H.I.G. to their numbers at the Supreme Council Sessions held in St. John's in September. Additionally, they passed a bylaw reducing the two year term of office down to one year for the Valley officers.

In October, the leadership team met with the Sovereign Grand Commander and the Deputy on their official visit and openly discussed a number of topics. The Leadership Team recognizes its areas where work is needed and they are looking at viable solutions.

Fellowship and Unique Charitable Activities
In June 2016, the Valley presented the Deputy's Award to the "Newfoundland Alzheimer's Society".

In September, the Valley hosted the Supreme Council Sessions, the planning of which kept them extremely busy for most of 2016. The Valley's fundraising efforts during this event resulted in the Valley donating $6000.00 to the Halifax Learning Centre.
In October, they held another successful SRCF annual Walk-a-Thon, the proceeds of which was donated to the SRCF.

In November, the Valley held a successful "bring a friend" night to support the first annual Scottish Rite week.

In April, 2017, 42 Sovereign Princes attended the Maundy Thursday Extinguishing of the Lights and the Feast of the Pascal Lamb, making it the best attended Maundy Thursday in decades.

On April 22, 2017, they continued their new practice of conducting the Relighting Ceremony on the Saturday morning following Easter Sunday. Once again, it was preceded by a breakfast (cooked and served by the Brethren) and the attendance was again a record breaker with a total of 66 Brethren and guests partaking. This number included 7 of the Valley's widows and their family members. It was truly gratifying to see them coming out to share this special time with the Valley.

Financial Health
The Valley continues to enjoy a healthy financial situation. Actively pursuing dues arrears has resulted in several members bringing their membership up to date. With membership numbers increasing, they are looking forward to continued financial good health.

I would like to express my utmost appreciation to the following Brethren for their assistance in preparing this report.

Illustrious Brother Frank Gammell, 32°, Grand Secretary/Registrar, Valley of Halifax, NS.
Illustrious Brother Donald MacLeod, 33°, Grand Secretary/Registrar, Valley of Sydney, NS.
Illustrious Brother Robert Stevenson, 32°, Grand Secretary/Registrar, Valley of Summerside, PEI.
Illustrious Brother James H. Rowsell, 33°, Grand Secretary/Registrar, Valley of St. John's, NL.

I would also like to express my most sincere thanks and appreciation to the Grand Secretary/General, Illustrious Brother Robert Brethour, 33°, COO Illustrious Brother Steven Warren, 33°, Assistant to the Deputy Illustrious Brother David Hooper, 33°, and Ms. Leslie Drake, Office Administrator, for their assistance throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,
James G. Finch, 33°
Deputy for Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland and Labrador

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Report of the Deputy For
ONTARIO (Gareth Taylor)

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers, and Brethren:

I am pleased to report on the state of Scottish Rite Freemasonry in the Valleys of Hamilton, Guelph, Niagara and Toronto.

We were saddened by the passing of those Brethren whose names are inscribed in the Obituary records of these proceeding. We miss their presence at our gatherings and remember and honour their contributions to the Fraternity.

Valley of Hamilton
Membership
Over the last several years, initiations in the Valley of Hamilton have held fairly steady from year to year. Last year, unfortunately, the numbers dipped somewhat. There were 24 new members initiated, affiliated or restored into Murton Lodge of Perfection. This compares to 30 new members last year. The Hamilton Sovereign Chapter of Rose Croix welcomed 19 new members compared to 25 last year. Moore Sovereign Consistory welcomed 96 new members. This compares to 124 in 2015-2016.

Membership losses to deaths, withdrawals and suspensions were somewhat lower this year. Murton Lodge of Perfection lost 55 members compared to 66 last year. The Hamilton Sovereign Chapter of Rose Croix lost 46 members and Moore Sovereign Consistory lost 275 members. This compares to 51 for the former and 402 for the latter in 2015-2016.

Sadly, the Valley lost three long time 33rd degree members over the last year. Ill. Bros. Kenneth L. Schweitzer, Donald L. Sandison and Allan S. Grieve passed to the Grand Lodge above. All three were extremely active Masons and will be sorely missed.

Communication
Last year, the Valley announced that it was embarking on an ambitious project to create a "state of the art" interactive website. The committee that took on this project was capably co-chaired by Ill. Bros. Allard B. Loopstra and George F. Benton. The website went live on March 15, 2017. The finished product is available at www.hamiltonvalleyscottishrite.com. Once members
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of the Valley have registered, they can contribute to the website, but one does not have to be a member of the Valley to go onto the site and “check it out”. The new site has already generated a lot of activity and interest. Allard Loopstra and George Benton are acting as co-editors in chief. There is an editor for each of the three Scottish Rite bodies as well as the Learning Centre, the Scottish Rite Club and the Craft Lodges. The new site is already proving to be a wonderful communication tool and once again we urge all members of the Hamilton Valley to register and contribute. All Scottish Rite Masons are urged to “have a look” even if they are not a member of the Hamilton Valley.

In conjunction with the development of the website, the Valley of Hamilton continues to convert to e-mail for regular communication. It is obviously critical to the success of the website to have as many member E-mail addresses as possible. With the tremendous increase in the cost of traditional mailings, it is equally important to convert as much of the regular communication functions of the Valley to E-mail as possible. The Valley now has over 3000 members of the three bodies converted to E-mail which represents over sixty percent of the membership base. We continue to gather addresses and are confident that ultimately, this percentage will increase significantly. The Valley purchased a special E-mail merge program to expedite the communication and it has proven to be invaluable.

Leadership

Ill. Bro. Thomas A. Wills became an Active Member of Supreme Council at the sessions in St. John’s. He along with Ill. Bros. Robert S. Whitmore, Lieutenant Grand Commander and Allard B. Loopstra, Grand Chancellor, continue to provide tremendous leadership for the Valley. There is also a strong cadre of Honorary Inspectors-General who also provide strong leadership for the Valley.

Valley Fellowship

Christmas is always an exciting time in the Valley of Hamilton. In the evening of Friday December 2, 2016 the 33rds in the Hamilton Valley held their annual Christmas dinner. Sixty-three brethren, spouses and widows attended the dinner and a good time was had by all. Santa tends to travel to Hamilton very early in his pre-Christmas travels and 2016 was no exception. Breakfast with Santa was held on Saturday December 3 under the capable chairmanship of Ill. Bro. Ken Wallace. The attendance by Masons and Non-Masons alike as well as their children and grandchildren was outstanding. The attendance was close to four hundred which is a record for recent times.

The 2016 Valley of Hamilton Golf Tournament was once again held at the Carlisle Golf and Country Club on Saturday June 11, 2016. For the first time in several years, the weatherman had mercy on the Valley. It was a picture perfect day. Well actually, it was rather windy but compared to the deluges that occurred in the previous two years it was fantastic. There were 48 golfers in attendance as well as an additional 6 guests for dinner after the tournament. Over $6000.00 was raised for the Hamilton Learning Centre and a good time was had by all. The 2017 tournament will be held on Friday June 23 at Southbrook Golf and Country Club in Binbrook.

Murton Lodge of Perfection maintained its long tradition of having the annual dinner for the officers and their spouses at the Erie Beach Hotel in Port Dover on Friday June 3, 2016. Everyone’s craving for delicious perch and pickerel was more than satisfied. This year’s dinner will be held on Friday June 16, 2017.

On Saturday June 18, 2016, the Hamilton Sovereign Chapter of Rose Croix held its annual picnic at the home of Barbara Skinner. As always, Barbara’s late husband Rick was sorely missed but the weather was superb, the food was delicious and everyone had a great time.

This year's picnic will once again be held at the Skinner residence on Saturday June 17, 2017.

Uniqueness of Valley
The Officers of each body serve 2 year terms in each position. The other unique feature is Moore Sovereign Consistory which is the Consistory home for over 10 Valleys in Ontario.

Valley's Connections to and Support of Craft Lodges
The Valley will be holding its 2017 Master Mason's Night on Wednesday May 31, 2017. Once again, Ill. Bro. Ken Adamson will be acting as the Master of Ceremonies. This year the format of the evening will be considerably different. For the last several years, the evening has been a "public" event with families in attendance. This year the function will be smaller but will be targeting only Master Masons. We are confident that this will be a beneficial change and will yield more prospective members than the previous format.

Financial Health
From the information provided the Valley of Hamilton appears to be in good financial condition.

Survey – Valley Improvement Plans
The Valley of Hamilton website was a major part of the 2016/2017 Improvement plan along with increased use of e-mail as a means of communicating with Valley members. These are detailed above under Communications.

General
My Official Visit to the Valley of Hamilton was for the Spring Assembly of Murton Lodge of Perfection on April 11, 2017. I was the guest of honour and spoke at a special dinner on that evening.

The Sovereign Grand Commander, Terry A. McLean, made his official visit to the Valley in conjunction with the Spring Assembly of Moore Sovereign Consistory on May 5 and 6, 2017. Attendance was good and there were 58 candidates in the class. Our Sovereign Grand Commander, who is a member of Moore Sovereign Consistory, addressed the brethren at the luncheon on Saturday May 6.

There were four members of the Valley of Hamilton who became Honorary Inspectors-General at the Annual Sessions in St. John's in September 2016. Ill. Bros. Frederick J. Allan, D. Kenneth Laliberte, John L. MacPherson and David H. Pedlar all received their 33rd Degree. Four brethren have been nominated to become Honorary Inspectors-General in Montréal this year. We extend our congratulations to Ill. Bros. William R. Denison, Robert G. Gordon, Brian T. Kiernan and Joseph W. Lewis who will be so honoured.

Ill. Bro. Victor Lepp retired as an Active Member of Supreme Council and Deputy for Ontario at the Annual Sessions in St. John's Newfoundland in September of 2016. A special dinner was held at the Fall Reunion of Murton Lodge of Perfection on November 8, 2016 to recognize Victor's tremendous contribution to Scottish Rite Masonry in general and the Valley of Hamilton in particular. The dinner was extremely well attended. Unfortunately, a health problem at the time precluded Vic's attendance but he was certainly with us in spirit.

<u>Valley of Guelph</u>
Membership
Royal City Lodge of Perfection has a membership of 440 and the Guelph Chapter of Rose Croix consists of 420 members. This year showed a loss in membership as no new candidates were initiated into either the Lodge or Chapter.

Communication
There are the regular printed communications and Summons issued as per the By-Laws. This is

quite costly taking both printing and mailing costs into consideration not to mention the time consuming. Efforts continue to be made to solicit from the brethren of the Valley up-to-date email addresses for more frequent and cost effective dissemination of information to the membership of the valley.

There was a Valley Newsletter at one time; however, there are other matters that need to be addressed before it is likely to be resurrected. At present the Valley does not have a website.

Leadership
The Valley Executive (lead by Ill. Bro. Doug West 33°) is working very hard to continue to keep the Valley moving forward; the Executive is well aware of the challenges the Valley faces and will continue to need to deal with in order to succeed. The Executive Committee serves as the Officer Nominating Committee as well. In addition there is a HIG nominating Committee.

The typical term for Officers has been one year; however, given the current situation in the Valley:

- there being no candidates the past year;
- there being no "formal" opportunities for degree work;
- having Officers who are not fulfilling their basic responsibilities;
- Officers demonstrating poor attendance (including the major officers in each body);
- and a growing trend to reading of the work.

The majority Officers in each body have held fast for a second consecutive term. Based on discussions within the Valley Executive and amongst the HIGs, we are working with the Officers and holding Officers training sessions.

Valley Fellowship
The annual 33rds Ladies night was held in Varney in late October. The Valley BBQ unfortunately in 2016 the annual summer BBQ fell through, however the 2017 event is scheduled for Saturday, August 19, 2017 in Harriston.

Education Seminars – these were scheduled and held in the form of Officer Training nights/Sessions.

Uniqueness of Valley
The Valley has taken the opportunity that resulted from major setback in the loss of our previous Active Member (Ill. Bro. Ken Rutherford), as well as having some holes in the Officers line in each body, to take some time to rebuild by:

- filing the holes in the elected officers in both bodies in the Valley;
- holding Officer Training Sessions to hopefully get the Officers doing the basics of the memory work and that of the opening s and the closings;
- trying to impress upon the Officers that although it is a honour to serve in office, that there are also expectations with duties and responsibilities to learn the work – at minimum the openings and closings; there are expectations with attendance at all Communications of the Lodge and the Chapter whenever possible, etc.

The Valley covers a large geographical area extending to and including the shorelines of Lake Huron, the Bruce Peninsula and the shoreline of Georgian Bay. With this diverse geographic area comes a great diversity in the background of its membership. A strength that can be built on.

Valley's Connections to and Support of Craft Lodges
Unfortunately, and in the midst of the so called "rebuilding program", there has not been much opportunity to do this in the last 12-18 months; however, there have been discussions as

indicated under the heading of Membership Initiatives above.

Financial Health
Financially, Valley of Guelph is in good shape.

Survey – Valley Improvement Plans
Although there were not specific items addressed from the survey, the efforts undertaken as described above are a definite plan for Valley improvement.

General
My Official Visit to the Valley of Guelph was for the Open Installations of both the Lodge of Perfection and Chapter Rose Croix. This afforded me an excellent opportunity to meet with many of the Executive Committee to discuss the challenges for the Valley and their future plans.

The Valley of Guelph is facing a lot of challenges, plans are in place to start to address these challenges but this will be a slow and challenging process.

Special thanks to Ill. Bro. Jeffery R. Dickson, 33° Active Member Grand Marshal for his continued support.

Valley of Niagara
Membership
Elgin Lodge of Perfection currently has 413 members. There was a class of 9 this past year and 11 deaths, so membership was stable. The Niagara Chapter Rose Croix is in a similar situation, with 352 members after adding 4 new members and deleting 11 by death.

There was much talk about organizing a Master Mason Night, but it did not come to fruition. With the move to a new location in the fall this may also offer an opportunity to highlight the Scottish Rite in the Niagara Districts.

Communications
At the present time, the Valley communicates with the whole membership by mailing out the summons, the blue envelopes for the Hamilton Dyslexia Centre and a brief newsletter in September and in January as well as mailing out the booklets for the Easter Celebrations in March. E-mails are sent to those who have provided them but there are only 161 e-mail addresses on file, even after repeatedly asking for them. The Valley continues to pursue be asking for updates on addresses, e-mails, etc. with the September summons.

Leadership
The Valley has established a committee established to assist the TPGM and the MWS in getting qualified members into positions of leadership. This committee meets several times during the year and is available for approaching and instructing the men who are willing to go into the Chairs. This takes the pressure off of the TPGM and MWS to “recruit” guys for their year. It also ensures that there is an orderly progression through the Chairs.

The Valley Executive meets three meeting during the year, with a dinner meeting in May.

Fellowship
The Valley has an annual Ladies Night held in the fall, for the last several years it has been held at the Skylon Tower in Niagara Falls. The Rose Croix starts off each year with a reunion banquet before the 15th degree in the fall, and Lodge of Perfection closes their year with a reunion dinner in the spring at the 14th degree ceremony. For several years there has been a summer Picnic BBQ at a park in St. Catharines, but this has been cancelled this year because of failing attendance.

Uniqueness of Valley
Niagara Valley continues to donate generously every year toward scholarships/bursaries at both Niagara College and Brock University, to the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation for the Hamilton Dyslexia Centre, and to the three Shriners organizations in the Peninsula to help offset their donations and efforts toward the Shrine Hospitals.

The Valley's portrayal of the all the degrees from the 4th to the 18th Degree in sequential order is a unique feature.

Valley's Connections to and Support of Craft Lodges
The Valley has re-established a Niagara Valley Third Degree Team and will be visiting two lodges in September to do the degree for them. The Valley has put together a package of information and the Membership Video and have asked all the Lodges in Niagara A and B Districts for permission to attend one of their regular meetings to make this ½ hour presentation. So far only three lodges have taken us up on the offer, so it will be offered again in the fall.

Financial Health
From the information provided the Valley of Niagara appears to be in good financial condition.

Survey – Valley Improvement Plans
Education and Enlightenment is the Valley's focus from the Survey results. This includes the production and use of introductions to the various degree portrayals.

General
My Official Visit to the Valley of Niagara was for the 14th Degree evening on April 11, 2017. I was the guest of honour and spoke at a special dinner on that evening.

The Valley is in a bit of an upheaval at the present time, due to the sale of their building in Niagara Falls and the establishment of a new home in St. Catharines. The search to find a suitable building and location has taken well over a year by a dedicated group charged with this task, and are mow negotiating with the other Lodges that met in the building as to what items belong to whom and who gets to take or purchase what items. The committee is also looking into the required renovation to the Church to meet their needs … move pews, new carpeting, a new wall to create an entrance area, new supports to hold the curtains and back-drops to the degrees, etc. The move itself will require much help from our members. The hope is that everything will be ready for the Valley to resume its labours in late September.

Special thanks to Ill. Bro. Thomas E. Lewis, 33°, Grand Treasurer-General for his support and efforts promoting the Scottish Rite in the Valley of Niagara and to Ill. Bro. Ronald Muha 32° for his assistance with the preparation of this report.

<u>Valley of Toronto</u>
Membership
In the last year, there were 32 new members of the Toronto Grand Lodge of Perfection and 25 new members of the Toronto Sovereign Chapter Rose Croix. The membership count for the Toronto Grand Lodge of Perfection currently stands at 1923 and the Toronto Sovereign Chapter of Rose Croix at 1629. Overall membership decreased slightly this year.

The Annual Master Mason evening held in May is now in its 16th year. It has proven to be an invaluable asset as part of the membership recruitment initiative of the Valley.

Communication
The Valley continues to actively pursue the use of electronic distribution of Summons and other notices to its membership. Email addresses are now available for over 45% (850 members) of the Valley. In addition, all members that the Valley has email addresses for receive a reminder

of the upcoming degrees. This has proved to be quite successful.

The Valley of Toronto continues to produce the Toronto Valley News in the spring and fall. Ill Bro. Roger Tumminieri 32° has taken over from Ill. Bro. Terry Sleightholm 33° as the Editor.

The Valley of Toronto has also revitalized its website (www.valleyoftoronto.com) this year. The site includes a calendar system with the degree and rehearsal dates available. Further functionality for the membership will be introduced in the near future. The Valley thanks Ill. Bro. David Traves 32° for the design and implementation of the site.

Leadership
The Valley has an Officer Nominating Committee and extensive participation of Active and Past Active members of Supreme Council.

The HIGs are engaged in the Valley through the Advisory Council which meets twice a year. This has proved to be a useful forum for a variety of workshops and other activities.
Valley Officers serve 1 year terms.

Valley Fellowship
Last June the 33° Brethren of the Valley of Toronto gathered for a very special evening with their Ladies to introduce those who will be honoured at Supreme Council in September. There are over 80 in attendance for the evening which is highlighted by the entertainment.

The Oshawa Scottish Rite Club, composed of members from the Toronto Valley continues with their tradition of holding a Strawberry Social in the spring and a Turkey Supper in the fall. These very pleasant events attract Masonic brethren and their ladies from across Southern Ontario.

The Valley continues to have special recognition of members who have achieved 25 years, 50 years and 60 plus years in Scottish Rite Freemasonry. These presentations take place at the 14th Degree in January and the May Lodge of Perfection Reunion. In addition, some of these presentations are made in person if Brethren are unable to attend the Valley's meetings or mailed out due to distance.

For many years the Valley of Toronto has portrayed the 21st Degree at Moore Sovereign Consistory and the Barrie Consistory every second year. The Valley has also portrayed the 31st degree Drama in Moore Sovereign Consistory.

Uniqueness of Valley
The Valley offers degrees in both the reunion format and also the more traditional format of being spread over several months. The Toronto Grand Lodge of Perfection starts in October and ends with the 14th Degree in January while the Lodge of Perfection Reunion is held in May. The Toronto Sovereign Chapter Rose continues the degrees in February and ends at Easter. The Rose Croix Reunion is held in November. This combination has proved to be quite successful in offering candidates options as to when they can take their degrees.

There is also strong support for the Consistories in Barrie and Hamilton.

Valley's Connections to and Support of Craft Lodges
The Valley Membership Committee has representatives from each the 5 Greater Toronto Area Districts as well as from Ontario District. These District Representatives in turn have contacts in many of the over 100 Craft Lodges within these Districts. This allows good promotion of the Scottish Rite within these Districts.

The Valley held its annual Master Mason Night on Thursday May 18th. There were over 40 Master Masons present along with 80 Valley Members and guests. The Master Masons were informed about the Scottish Rite and saw a presentation of the second half of the 16th Degree.

Financial Health
The Valley of Toronto is in good financial health at this time. The Trustees meet with the investment council several times a year to review the portfolio for the Valley.

Survey – Valley Improvement Plans
The Valley of Toronto has an Action Register in place to monitor performance in a number of key areas. This year focussed on the updating and upgrading of the Valley website along with continued efforts to improve communications with the Brethren. Education was also a priority with a focus on using the material provided by the Education and Enlightenment Committee and meetings of the Toronto Scottish Rite Research Society.

General
My Official Visit to the Valley of Toronto was for the 17th Degree in the Spring Sessions of Toronto Grand Sovereign Chapter Rose Croix on March 14, 2017. I was the guest of honour and spoke at a special dinner on that evening
A major challenge for the Valley is travelling in Toronto. The membership is widely distributed over the Greater Toronto area and traffic gridlock is becoming more and more of an issue for many members trying to attend meetings.

In 2015, Premiere Productions Ottawa created a unique concert performance, presented in German but with a special, innovative twist. Assisted by Ill. Bro. Alan Arbuckle 33°, an English narration was especially prepared to chart the Masonic mysteries hidden throughout the story, from Papageno's shenanigans through Tamino's and Pamina's trial by water, fire, and air; demonstrating how Mozart and Schikaneder set forth in operatic terms, the various steps Masonic initiates take on their journey towards enlightened understanding. It was titled Mozart's Masonic Journey.

The Valley of Toronto hosted this production on January 28 and 30, 2016. Plans are now underway for a repeat performance to be held on January 25 and 27, 2018 at the York Masonic Temple, 1100 Millwood Road. These performances will again be open to the public.

Special thanks to the Active Members of Supreme Council, Ill. Bro. Terry A. McLean 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander and Ill. Bro. Duncan S. Skinner 33° and the Past Active Members Ill. Bros. Donald W. Lambie, Richard D. Quinton and C. Edwin Drew from the Valley of Toronto for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,
Gareth R. Taylor, 33°
Deputy for Ontario

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Report of the Deputy For
ONTARIO (David A. Bennett)

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers, and Brethren:

I'm pleased to present the following report on the state of AASR in the Valleys of North Bay, Sudbury, Sault Ste. Marie and Thunder Bay during the period of October 2016 thru May 2017.

It has been an enjoyable and rewarding year as Deputy this past year and I wish to thank all the brethren for the courtesies extended to me during my visitations. It has been a pleasure
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renewing acquaintances and meeting many new friends during my visits. I was pleased to learn many plans were implemented from the Scottish Rite National Survey in the four Northern Ontario Valleys. The membership video has been used extensively and those who have planned and executed Master Mason's Nights have been pleased with the results. Our Valley's appreciate the material available on the Education & Enlightenment website and are anxious to use more of the material in the future. We continue to gain young energetic members and are confident they will become "active" members in our respective Valleys. Our goal remains to ensure all our members are getting the most out of their involvement in Scottish Rite Masonry thru proper mentorship and communication to be committed and engaged in the work of their respective Valleys thus ensuring the support and continued growth of Scottish Rite Freemasonry in our area. I have been pleased to witness and take part in a number of fun filled social events and fundraising activities involving family and friends. It has been communicated to me on several occasions that such fraternal activities along with the great degree work displayed in our Valleys gives our members a great sense of satisfaction and belonging. For together everyone accomplishes more (T.E.A.M.)!

I have been pleased to witness excellent degree work done in all the Valleys with dignity and feeling. Congratulations to all who partook in the casts and behind the scenes!

I have enjoyed the opportunity along with the presiding officers of the Valleys to present a number of certificates to deserving brethren through the year. I was pleased to hear the expressions of pleasure and enjoyment during their years in Scottish Rite Freemasonry.

My thanks are extended to area representatives of the SRCF in assisting with the presentation of the Deputy's Bursary program to two deserving medical students attending the Northern Ontario School of Medicine. Each student received funding in the amount of $750.00. Cards of thanks have been received by the students and the campus offices in Thunder Bay & Sudbury for our continuing support for the NOSM.

On a sad note we lost a number of brethren over the year, we miss their presence, mourn their passing and thank them for their leadership, dedication to our Rite and participation in their respective Valleys.

Valley of Sudbury & District
Lodge of Perfection 270

I was pleased to be invited with friends and family to attend a banquet on Oct 29, 2016 sponsored by the Sudbury Manitoulin Masonic District marking the milestones & achievements of Ill. Bro. H. Robert Butler 32°. He was presented with his 50 year Past DDGM pin/certificate and his fifty year Scottish Rite Jewel; enjoying 58 years of Scottish Rite Freemasonry. He spoke eloquently of the importance of Masonry in his life. Spring saw five candidates initiated into the Lodge of Perfection. The work as always was performed in an excellent fashion portrayed even more meaningful this year due to the absence of Ill. Bro. Jason Ashley 33°. We were saddened to learn of his passing on May 2nd. He will be greatly missed in the Valleys of Sudbury & North Bay as a staunch supporter of our Rite, a director on the SRCF, a degree director and an excellent ritualist. Our ladies were treated to a fine afternoon of lunch & entertainment and following the reunion we relaxed with our ladies at a delicious supper.

Valley of North Bay
Lodge of Perfection 539
Rose Croix 654

The Valley welcomed four Rose Croix members to its ranks during the fall reunion. After a one year hiatus it was great to have our Sudbury brethren back to portray the 17th degree team back

next year. The Lodge of Perfection reunion named in memory of Ill. Bro. Jason Ashley 33° initiated a class of six. The Valley of North Bay sends special thanks to cast members from the Valley of Barrie who assisted thus ensuring we were able to portray the sixth and ninth degree in a very professional and meaningful manner. Special mention of our long-time Reunion Registrar Ill. Bro. Eric Magill 32° who was recovering from surgery in Sudbury. He was missed. Our Lodge of Perfection "Open Installation" was once again well attended...thanks to PTPGM Burton Parks 32° and officers for an excellent year and we wish our best to TPGM Ill. Bro. Allan Immell 32° and his officers next year!

Valley of Sault Ste. Marie
Lodge of Perfection 126
Rose Croix 124

I was able to make two trips to the Valley of Sault Ste. Marie this year; first to the Lodge of Perfection reunion where three candidates were initiated then in March my wife Aurore & I were pleased to accompany to accompany our Sovereign Grand Commander Ill. Bro. Terry A. McLean 33° & his wife Bonnie on his official visit to Sault Ste. Marie. We were treated royally first to a wine and cheese reception on Friday then on Saturday to supper attended by a number of brethren and ladies...a truly delightful time. Thanks to everyone who made our trip memorable! In addition Ill. Bro. Larry Weeks took the SGC & I to see Ill. Bro. Sandy Marr 33° who resides in a nearby nursing home. He was in great spirits as he shared a number of memories and stories with us during the visit.

The SGC addressed the brethren at the Saturday luncheon, among his terrific comments were expressions of satisfaction in that the Valley's leadership took it amongst themselves to conduct their own survey to Sault members. A number of items were learned with plans in place to strengthen the Valley.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ill. Bro. Paul Ashley 33° and his Sudbury cast for making the trip to Sault Ste. Marie to portray the 17th degree. The members and class (three) were treated to excellent work throughout the day. In addition, thanks to Superior Lodge of Perfection TPGM Austin Cawlishaw 32° (also our chauffeur here and in Thunder Bay) who journeyed by himself to the reunion and the SGC's official visit. It was most appreciated by all! It was great to see members from all four northern Valleys in attendance.

Valley of Thunder Bay
Lodge of Perfection 200
Rose Croix 185
Consistory 185

In addition to the nine candidates initiated in the Lodge of Perfection during my visit in February, four candidates were received into the Rose Croix & Chapter throughout the year. During my visit my wife Aurore & I were once again treated to tremendous hospitality throughout the weekend and a terrific banquet Saturday evening.

It was also a pleasure to have members of the Sudbury and Sault Ste. Marie Valley's brave the winter driving conditions to join us. Their trip was extended by 6 hours each way.

May I also take a moment to advise you that 2018 will be the 100th anniversary of the Thunder Bay?

Thanks to Valley Secretaries David Dasti 33º, Bruce Pearce 33°, Clive Stephenson 33° and Rene Carlson 33° ; Registrar Jacques Lacourse 32° (North Bay) and to Active Member of S.C.

Bill Davis 33° for their patience and assistance & of course ditto to GSG. Ill. Bro. Bob Brethour 33°, COO Ill Bro. Steven Warren, 33° & Leslie Drake.

Respectfully submitted,
David A. Bennett, 33°
Deputy for Ontario

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Report of the Deputy For
ONTARIO (Brian W. Gilkinson)

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers, and Brethren:

I am pleased to report on the state of Scottish Rite Freemasonry in the Valleys of Barrie, Kingston, Ottawa and Peterborough.

It is with sincere regret that I acknowledge the passing of many dedicated members of Supreme Council as noted in the Obituary Records of these proceedings. It is important that we continue to honour their memory and follow their examples of dedication to their family, society and our Fraternity.

Valley of Barrie

Membership

Total combined membership stands at 1772, continuing a declining trend in all three constituent bodies with net losses, when initiations and affiliations are factored in, of 25 in the Barrie Lodge of Perfection, 18 in the Spry Chapter of Rose Croix and 21 in the Barrie Consistory. An initiative to confirm the accuracy of Valley membership records has resulted in some unusually high reports of suspensions and deaths as records are reconciled with reality. In addition, efforts continue to ascertain the circumstances of some 165 members with whom contact has been lost. Notwithstanding these worthwhile efforts, which tend to over report membership losses for specific periods as the accuracy in numbers is sought, there continues to be a decline in overall Valley membership.

The Valley is pursuing regular Master Mason's Day events and other initiatives to reduce the amount of decline. There may be no control over the deaths that occur among the membership, however, an analysis of demits and suspensions might reveal instances where these could be reduced in the future. In addition, the Valley has benefited from good size classes of candidates at recent reunions.

Communications

The Valley produces the "Triangle", an excellent newsletter that keeps the membership well informed of news, current and upcoming events and activities. Active Member and Grand Secretary-General, Ill. Bro. Robert Brethour, 33° is the editor of this high quality publication. It is worthy of consideration by other Valleys contemplating ways of enhancing communications with their members.

The Valley also publishes meeting notices and a pocket calendar of significant meetings and events within the Valley over a two year period. These provide contact information for the Grand Secretary, the Valley website address and the contact information for degree directors and others.
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This Valley has an excellent ability to communicate with the Supreme Council Office and the Deputy, given the presence of both Ill. Bro. Brethour, 33° and Ill. Bro. John Harrison, 33° as Active Members of Supreme Council. The Grand Secretary, Ill. Bro. James Anderson, 33° verified excellent communications with the Supreme Council Office and appreciates the prompt assistance it provides.

Quality communication with candidates for the degrees is achieved by the use of degree explanations and charts detailing the regalia associated with the various degrees. Formal degree explanations have been distributed throughout the Rite and their use by this Valley is extensive. The enthusiasm of the candidate classes for the time taken to interact with them and to assure their understanding of the degrees is very evident. I witnessed the involvement in degree portrayals of several recent members of the Valley. This bodes well for future retention of members and the day when a balance may be achieved between the influx of new members and the loss of others.

Barrie Valley communicates extensively with other Valleys regarding its initiatives such as the annual Pig Roast, the Polar Bear Lottery, an annual motorcycle ride fundraiser and events such as graduation ceremonies of the children tutored by the Barrie Learning Centre. Some of its brethren are quick to support events in other Valleys with their attendance and participation.

The presence of a Consistory in the Valley attracts candidates who are members of other Valleys. This results in an important avenue of informal communication between Valleys.

Fellowship Activities
Muskoka, Barrie and Victoria Scottish Rite Clubs are active in various areas of the Valley as indicated by their names. Their meetings feature good socializing and guest speakers. The Pig Roast, motorcycle ride and a new initiative to have a golf tournament replace the Polar Bear Lottery are examples of planning for good fellowship that involves families and friends. Business meetings often provide for the involvement of companions at some point.

Collaboration with Craft Lodges
The Valley has six degree teams able to confer craft degrees in Craft Lodges throughout every area of this large Valley.

The Valley makes good use of Scottish Rite publications, including those of Supreme Council and the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation. The recent membership pamphlet and the SRCF information pamphlet, along with a membership application are provided to newly raised Master Masons as opportunities occur and to all Master Masons attending the annual Master Mason's Day.

Educational presentations in Craft Lodges are done on an informal basis.

Consideration is being given to sending a letter to each Craft Lodge within the Valley's territory, each September, detailing the services the Valley is prepared to provide to interest Lodges as they plan their Masonic years.

Finances
The financial management of the Valley's resources is in good hands. Careful assessment is made of the number of candidates available in a given year along with returns on investment. The relationship between the Valley and its financial advisor has been long standing, to the overall benefit of the Valley.

This Valley takes efforts to ensure that the five year financial forecast required by the Audit and Finance slate of returns reflects accurate predictions of future developments with the result that assessment of membership fees and dues occur regularly. An integral part of this management

style is a continual assessment of expenses and the means by which to limit or eliminate those deemed excessive or unnecessary.

Those responsible for completion of the financial returns do so competently. Answers to some questions concerning them during the business meeting between the Valley leadership group and the Deputy were answered promptly and comprehensively.

The Valley's financial operations are well managed with no immediate concern for future viability.

Valley Improvement Plan
This Valley sets goals and tracks the progress made in attaining them. This has led to innovations in communications that include the Triangle, the Valley website, the Facebook page, and the Grand Secretary's JimBits, a notice utilized to make the membership aware of special events, milestones and general information that requires more timely communication.

The Valley has created the position of Reunion Manager, responsible for overseeing every aspect of a reunion to ensure all perform their allotted tasks well and on schedule. Tracking of performance and post reunion analysis of what went well and what needs improvement has resulted in well run reunions with little wasted time.

Information packages are supplied to new officers. They include manuals, tools and contact lists of those able to assist. An officer search committee has created a three year programme whereby those accepted to join the officer rotations in the three constituent bodies are established for the ensuing three years. A membership participation committee works to provide opportunities for others wishing involvement in other areas of Valley work.

Membership initiatives include those mentioned above along with the support of a DeMolay Chapter, the introduction of a new degree in the Consistory and a continuation of Cloverleaf visits with the Valleys of Sudbury and Toronto along with regular visitation with the members of the Valley of Peterborough. Reunion honourees are linked to each class of candidates.

The Valley committee on Education and its participation as part of the Supreme Council Education and Enlightenment initiative is of importance both to the Valley and to the Rite as a whole. The material available to its candidates that augment the ritual is significant. Degree explanations, artwork and take away pamphlets all combine to increase the knowledge and comfort level of the candidate, increasing the likelihood that he will be retained as an active participant in Valley life.

300th Anniversary Open House Initiative
After my February 2017 Official Visit the Valley, it reported involvement with Craft Lodges in assisting with open houses occurring within its geographic jurisdiction. These open houses are an initiative of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario to mark the 300th anniversary of the establishment of the first Grand Lodge in London, England. Concordant bodies were invited to participate in the open houses.

General
The Valley is probably unique, or at the least stands out, in its careful approach to developing strength in every area of its activity. It has an active cadre of Supreme Council members and strong officer rotations and supporting casts. The initiatives established by Supreme Council are taken seriously and the positive results are evident.

The ritual work was performed to a high standard with a good cross-section of Valley membership experience involved in its presentation and support.

It was my pleasure to attend this Valley on the occasions of:
The Barrie Learning Centre Recognition Awards and Graduation Ceremony on October 1, 2016.
The Official Visit of the Sovereign Grand Commander in November, 2016.
The Ceremony of Installation of Officers on January 14, 2017.
My Official Visit, February 24 and 25, 2017, and
The Spring Reunion of the Barrie Consistory on April 29, 2017

My appreciation is extended to all Valley brethren who made these visits memorable and productive and, in particular, to Ill. Bro. Robert Brethour, 33°, Grand Secretary-General, Ill. Bro. John Harrison, 33°, Active Member and Chair of the Audit and Finance Committee of Supreme Council, Ill. Bro. David Boyd, 33°, Thrice Puissant Grand Master, Ill. Bro. Gordon Hedges, 33° Most Wise Sovereign, and Ill. Bro. Rodney Greer, 33°, Commander-in-Chief. These brethren, in conjunction with Ill. Bro. James Anderson, 33°, Grand Secretary, provided able assistance and guidance to me both before and during my visits to the Valley.

Valley of Kingston

Membership

As of December 31, 2016 Kingston Lodge of Perfection membership was 188, down from 196 a year earlier. The numbers for the Rose of Sharon Chapter of Rose Croix showed a decline from 167 to 162. The number of new candidates offset the numbers of demits and suspensions, making deaths the principle reason for the decline over the last year.

The Valley does track the reasons for demits and suspensions where possible and it will be considering an initiative to contact members not in regular attendance at meetings and those requesting demits or on the verge of a Valley imposed suspension.

Communications

The meeting notice constitutes the main method of communication with the membership. Approximately eighty receive the notices by ordinary post while around one hundred receive them electronically.

The Valley has no website. Ill. Bro. Marvin Switzer, 32°, Thrice Puissant Grand Master, is skilled in this area and has involvement with the Frontenac Masonic District website. Unfortunately, he has suffered significant health issues which impair his ability to address this issue. It is hoped that others will assist in bringing the reality of either a Valley website or a significant presence on the district website to fruition. The former would allow a link from the scottishritecanada.ca website for persons interested in the Scottish Rite to investigate the Valley.

The Valley officers and brethren make annual trips to Belleville and Brockville for the conferral of Scottish Rite degrees. This is an initiative designed for the internal convenience of the Valley brethren and to raise the profile of the Scottish Rite in those areas. The degree conferral in Brockville regularly attracts Scottish Rite brethren from the Valley of Ottawa.

There is no formal structure for communications with other Valleys or with Craft Lodges within the geographic territory of the Valley.

Ill. Bro. Stephen Hannah, 33°, Grand Secretary, was positive in his remarks regarding communications with the Supreme Council Office and its response to requests for assistance.

Fellowship Activities

There are no regularly occurring fellowship activities within the Valley. Some ad hoc events have occurred, however, these did not include a general invitation to all members.

Collaboration with Craft Lodges

The Valley has no degree team to confer Craft degrees in Craft Lodges on request. Some

isolated educational presentations have occurred in the past. Action needs to be taken to increase the ties between the Valley and the Craft Lodges on whom it relies for applicants for the degrees.

Finances
The financial position of the Valley is strong. Revenues are expected to exceed expenses for the foreseeable future. The introduction of initiatives to establish a website, forge closer relations with Craft Lodges and increase opportunities for fellowship may create new expenses, however, the resources are available to defray them.

At the year ended December 31, 2015 the Valley recognized the need to file a not for profit return (T1044) with Revenue Canada. This continues to be a work in progress. The Grand Treasurer answered questions regarding Valley investments promptly. It is clear the finances are well managed.

The Grand Secretary mentioned some confusion regarding aspects of the financial return documents required by Supreme Council. The importance of maintaining communication with the Audit and Finance Committee reviewer was stressed and a commitment was given to express concerns of this and other Valleys regarding difficult aspects of completing the returns in an accurate manner.

Valley Improvement Plan
No formal plan was formulated as a result of a business meeting with the Deputy in June 2016. The Grand Secretary did complete minutes of the meeting that listed a number of items to be addressed by the Valley to accomplish goals identified in the meeting. The list was excellent and included some suggestions of the specifics needed to accomplish the listed goals. These goals included Craft Lodge presentations, a Scottish Rite degree team, Scottish Rite representatives in every Craft Lodge, use of the Frontenac district website and Lodge meeting notices for Valley news, the development of an education programme, increased use of email, class coaches and more social events. None of these identified goals has been the subject of activity in the last year, however, the leadership group at this year's business meeting were quick to acknowledge this and, hopefully, actions to achieve at least some of these worthwhile goals will be taken shortly.

300th Anniversary Open House initiative
No plans had been made as of the April 20, 2017 business meeting to assist Craft Lodges with the open house initiative of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

General
This Valley confers degrees sequentially throughout its Masonic year, therefore, general comments regarding the quality of ritual portrayal in the Valley are not possible. However, based on the one degree I witnessed on my Official Visit, a general caution to avoid the reading of ritual is necessary.

In addition to my Official Visit to the Valley, I attended the May 13, 2017 Official Visit of the Sovereign Grand Commander to the Valley. The Sovereign Grand Commander's Official Visit was enhanced by the opportunity for Ill. Bro. Terry A. McLean, 33° and I to present the Deputy's bursary to Browen Weeks, of the South Frontenac Community Services Corporation. The bursary will fund the training of three staff in effective verbal and non-verbal communication with those afflicted with dementia. Both Ill. Bro. John Trousdale, 33° and Ill. Bro. Donald R. Thornton, 33° were instrumental in identifying a worthy recipient and in arranging the presentation.

My appreciation is extended to the leadership group with whom I met during our business meeting. Ill. Bro. Stephen Hannah, 33°, Grand Secretary, provided good support both before

and during this visit. Ill. Bro. Marvin Switzer, 32°, TPGM, provided an excellent example of dedicated leadership in the face of adversity and repeated this on the occasion of the Sovereign Grand Commander's Official Visit.

My appreciation is also extended to Ill. Bro. John Trousdale, 33° Active Member and to Ill. Bro. Donald R. Thornton, 33° Past Active Member and Ill. Bro. Stephen Hannah, 33° for their guidance to the Valley and assistance to me during the year.

Valley of Ottawa

Membership

The Valley experienced a decline in membership for the year ended December 31, 2014 and an accelerated decline for the year ended December 31, 2015. Deaths comprise the largest part of these losses. The Valley's leadership group expects these accelerated loss due to deaths to continue given the average age of the membership. That is a reality that most Valleys share, therefore, anything that can reduce or eliminate demits and suspensions from membership is advisable.

One excellent initiative in this Valley is the naming of a class after an experienced member. That member is charged with the responsibility of meeting regularly with the class pre and post degree conferral to provide more education regarding the degree and its lessons. The close bond between the class and Ill. Bro. Jeff Christie, 33° Executive Secretary of the Valley and class honouree was evident, both on my Official Visit on January 23, 2017 and on that of the Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill. Bro. Terry A. McLean, 33° on March 27, 2017.

Communications

The Valley communicates with its members through its meeting notices, newsletter and website, all of which are of high quality. The content of the newsletter is driven by identified needs for timely communication on various subjects. It is produced by a committee of experienced brethren, one of whom, Ill. Bro. Ivan Harris, 33°, also manages the website. Both the Active and Past Active Member of Supreme Council are involved in the production of the newsletter. The Active Member, Ill. Bro. Alan Arbuckle, 33° authors creative and thought provoking announcements of upcoming degree conferrals that elevate them to a "not to be missed" status in the mind of the reader.

Communication is also accomplished as part of the fellowship with brethren of the Valleys of Montréal and Kingston.

Communication with Supreme Council via the Supreme Council Office is viewed as excellent.

Fellowship

The Valley has established a Renewal Committee to increase the opportunities for fellowship. Examples include a Valley brunch for brethren and their families, a light lunch or a snack either before or after degree conferrals, the staging of musicals, a welcome back BBQ at the commencement of the Masonic year and the open presentation of the Allegory.

A phone campaign was undertaken to contact all members. It was learned that increasing the attendance of those not in the habit of doing so was an uphill battle. Age, distance and weather concerns were all cited as reasons for non-attendance and while many offered to support Valley events with a donation, they were not prepared to ensure their success by attending.

The average age of new candidates is mid-thirties, therefore, there is ground for optimism that newer brethren will practice more regular attendance, particularly given the initiatives designed to retain them that have been introduced in the Valley.

Collaboration with Craft Lodges
The Valley has a very active Scottish Rite degree team that confers the third degree in Craft Lodges on request. The quality of the ritual work performed is reported to be excellent. Successive District Deputy Grand Masters and Worshipful Masters discuss the availability of the team and drive demand for its services.

Finances
The financial well-being of the Valley is good but the Valley does face some challenges given significant rental costs it incurs each year. There is also some confusion regarding the manner of populating the financial returns sent from Supreme Council with the result that an accurate picture of the Valley's financial condition awaited the discussion during the business meeting portion of my Official Visit. Difficulties have been communicated to Supreme Council and improvement in the forms is anticipated. On the flip side, it was stressed that the reviewers on the Audit and Finance Committee are only too happy to assist Valley personnel responsible for the completion of the Audit and Finance returns, therefore, they should be contacted for assistance and the Deputy should be copied on communications passing between the Valley and the reviewer.

I express my appreciation to Ill. Bro. Jeff Noseworthy, 32° Grand Treasurer and to Ill. Bro. Sam Kalinowsky, 33° for their assistance in conveying needed information regarding investments and the life membership/commuted dues funds.

Valley Improvement Plan
Ill. Bro. Alan Arbuckle, 33° has drafted an excellent plan and provided feedback on progress. It deals comprehensively with issues facing the Valley and reflects leadership in the strategies developed to realize goals.

300th Anniversary of Freemasonry
As of January 2017 Craft Lodges within the catchment area of the Valley were well into planning for this initiative. The event coincides with a City "Open Doors" initiative in which Freemasons have participated previously. It is anticipated that a BBQ will be part of this year's event.

General
The 14th degree was conferred well. It is evident that much effort is put into conferring the ritual for maximum impact on the class of candidates. It was noted that Ill. Bro. Sadi Sabbagh, 32°, Thrice Puissant Grand Master, performed a substantial part of the ritual and did so flawlessly. This was a common expectation of the Valley as Ill. Bro. Mark Pogue, 32°, Most Wise Sovereign of the Murray Chapter of Rose Croix performed equally well during conferral of the 18th degree on March 27, 2017.

My appreciation is extended to these brethren and to Ill. Bro. Alan Arbuckle, 33°, Ill. Bro. Sam Kalinowsky, 33° and Ill. Bro. Jeff Christie, 33° for their information, guidance and support during the year.

<u>Valley of Peterborough</u>
Membership
Year over year membership declines are the norm but the true extent of decline is difficult to ascertain given present attempts to make the membership database more accurate. The Membership Committee has been discovering deceased brethren from various years, thereby inflating the number of reported deaths in recent years. This process should be completed within the following year. Current membership, as of the business meeting date of March 31, 2017 totals 660 in the Peterborough Lodge of Perfection and 654 in the Peterborough Chapter of Rose Croix.

What is known with certainty is that, according to the returns for the year end dated December 31, 2015, 21 candidates received the 14th degree and 17 received the 18th degree.

Regular Master Mason's Nights have improved the numbers seeking the Scottish Rite degrees. Creating duplicate casts for some of the degrees has improved the ability to engage new members while others have become involved in committee work.

Communications
The notice of meeting is the primary communications vehicle to the membership. These are sent either by post or by email. The Valley website is also a means of keeping members informed. The website address is included in the notice. The conversion of as many as possible to email delivery of meeting notices is a work in progress.

Communication to Craft Lodges is inconsistent at present. The communications structure with a Scottish Rite representative in each Craft Lodge has fallen into disuse and some representatives are no longer active. Two members have been charged with the responsibility of establishing an updated and more effective method of communication with the Lodges.

Communications to other Valleys is accomplished only via those who receive the Valley notice and act further to distribute its news or by those wishing to check Valley websites by accessing the scottishritecanada.ca website.

Once again, the Valley is very satisfied with the communications with the Supreme Council Office and the assistance it provides.

Fellowship
The Valley members of Supreme Council hold an annual Ladies Night in the fall of the year. These members conduct an annual meeting in April of every year to receive reports, discuss issues and express preferences regarding nominations for the conferral of the 33°. The Valley hosted a banquet and open installation in November 2016 as a recognition of Scottish Rite Week.

The Valley has hosted an annual golf tournament for over ten years. It raises funds for the Barrie Learning Centre and regularly attracts golfers from several other Valleys. For some, the fellowship commences the evening before the tournament and continues throughout it.

The annual Master Mason's Night in May of each year provides an opportunity for members to collaborate in organizing this event and in interacting with Master Masons interested in further information regarding the Scottish Rite. The inability of some Lodges to attend this annual and regular date has led to presentations about the Rite in those lodges, with very good results in attracting applicants.

The Valley leadership is currently considering more ways of involving the general membership and their families in activities.

Collaboration with Craft Lodges
The Valley has a degree team that will confer Craft degrees at the request of a Craft Lodge. The team will confer any degree but does concentrate its efforts, if possible, on the conferral of the 3°. The Valley also will attend and deliver Masonic education regarding the Scottish Rite on request.

A letter detailing the assistance the Valley can give to a Craft Lodge will be sent at the commencement of every Masonic year to assist Worshipful Masters and Senior Wardens in planning for their upcoming Lodge activities.

This is a particularly busy year of interaction with Craft Lodges in this Valley as it collaborated

with many Craft Lodges, the York Rite and the Shrine in presenting an open house in June 3, 2017.

Finances
The Grand Treasurer is relatively new in his position. He has been busy surmounting a steep learning curve to organize the financial records of the Valley and in communicating with investment advisors to ensure the Valley receives the information it needs regularly to enable accurate assessments of its financial position.

The Valley has resources, however, a significant portion of those resources are contained in the life membership/commuted dues account and are beyond the ability of the Valley to use them at will. An assessment is currently underway to discover ways of maximizing Valley assets and the revenue they produce.

The Valley has complied with the reporting requirements under the Income Tax Act.

This is another situation where either a more user friendly slate of Audit and Finance return forms or more communication between the person completing the return and the reviewer assigned to the Valley may be of assistance.

In summary, the Valley has significant resources but liquidity is much less than the overall amount would indicate. The present Grand Treasurer, the Finance Committee and the Trustees have been diligent in re-structuring the Valley's financial affairs and in making them more transparent to the general membership.

Valley Improvement Plan
The Valley has a list of goals and the Thrice Puissant Grand Master, Ill. Bro. John Deak, 32° has undertaken the duty of drafting a more structured improvement plan that addresses the initiatives of Supreme Council as guided by the results of the National Membership Survey. Current goals include: updating and improving the membership database; increasing the use of email in communications; establishing a Valley newsletter; possible alteration to the meeting notice; the rehabilitation of property and regalia over a five year period and, a more fiscally responsible budgeting process for individual committees.

300th Anniversary
Members of this Valley have taken the lead in planning for this event, in recognition that we are Masons first and owe a duty to our Grand Master and Grand Lodge to see this project is successful. Many Lodges throughout the area covered by the Valley are actively planning an open house event and all Scottish Rite Masons have been encouraged to participate. In the City of Peterborough, five Craft Lodges, the Scottish Rite, York Rite and the Shrine Club are working in collaboration to mount displays and provide refreshments, entertainment and knowledge to members of the public wishing to tour the building and learn more about Freemasonry and its structure.

General
This reunion format Valley excels in the performance and delivery of ritual. Its presiding officers make a point of encouraging their officer lines to attend and support the reunions of each constituent body and more and more degree directors are encouraging their cast members to come early and stay late. Attendance for degrees portrayed early in the morning has improved over the last few years as a result. Because the Valley has members who are also members of both Moore and Barrie Consistories, good ideas are viewed elsewhere and suggested for adoption in the Valley.

The leadership team of this Valley has accomplished a complete re-write of its by-laws. The

Valley now enjoys a committee structure that is geographically balanced and with specified reporting responsibilities to the Annual Meeting. This initiative will make it possible for the Valley to more effectively address the concerns of Supreme Council regarding leadership, membership, communications and education and enlightenment.

The support of the Valley leadership group, including Ill. Bro. John Deak, 32° Thrice Puissant Grand Master, Ill. Bro. Ken Campbell, 32°, Most Wise Sovereign, their officers, members of Supreme Council and the brethren of this my Valley home has been much appreciated.

In Closing
I wish to express my thanks to the Grand Secretary-General, Ill. Bro. Robert Brethour, 33° and to the staff of the Supreme Council Office, Ill. Bro. Steven Warren, 33° Chief Operating Officer and Ms. Leslie Drake for your prompt and cheerful assistance to me throughout the year. As always, the advice and guidance of Ill. Bro. Terry A. McLean, 33° Sovereign Grand Commander and Ill. Bro. Robert S. Whitmore, 33° Lieutenant Grand Commander, 33° has been gratefully received.

Submitted respectively,
Brian W. Gilkinson, 33°
Deputy for Ontario

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Report of the Deputy For
ONTARIO (William A. Atkinson)

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers, and Brethren:

I am pleased to report on the condition and activities of Scottish Rite Freemasonry in the Valley's under my jurisdiction – Chatham, London, Sarnia, Windsor and Woodstock.

Along with the Official Visits to each Valley, I was privileged to attend with the Sovereign Grand Commander Ill. Bro. Terry A. McLean, 33°, to the 50th anniversary celebration of the Valley of Sarnia, where three members of the original Lodge of Perfection were in attendance and received their 50 year a Scottish Rite Freemason pin and certificate from the Sovereign Grand Commander.

I also enjoyed attending with the Lieutenant Grand Commander Ill. Bro. Robert Whitmore, 33°, to the Valley of Woodstock where he was the quest speaker.

It was a pleasure to take part in many inter-valley visitations and social functions.

Valley of Chatham – Established in 1950
Chatham Lodge of Perfection (152)
Kent Chapter Rose Croix (130)

Membership
The past year shows a decrease of 10 members in the Lodge of Perfection with 8 passed to the Grand Lodge Above, 2 demits and 2 suspensions, with 2 new members for a total membership of 152.

The Chapter of Rose Croix has had a decline of 13 members, with 9 passed to the GLA, 2 demits and 2 suspensions, resulting in a total of 130 members.
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Communication
Meeting notices are sent out via Canada Post to those members who have not signed up for the electronic version. They have put a push on again this year since January, using a variation of the Consistory letter, which has proven most successful in getting transfers to on line notice delivery. They have reduced mail delivery to 28 notices being sent out. Notices of special events and deaths are sent out as necessary by email.

Leadership
The Valley has a Valley Executive Committee in place that meets twice a year (May and October) that oversees the Valley and makes sure that planning is on schedule for upcoming large events (reunion, etc.). Officers have a one year term, Executive Committee Chairman is for two years and the Executive Secretary is for five years, for continuity. The Officer line-up is one of the areas that the Executive Committee makes sure that things are on track. There is a nominating committee for H.I.G. in place with a Past Active member, as the chair, they meet once a year in the spring

Education and Enlightenment
They have a director in place for the ritual of the 14th degree and another for the 18th degree. They have a number of practices to ensure that each officer is well prepared for his part. They have just recruited a new degree director and assistant degree director for the 9th degree and the 11th degree. This will allow them in 2018 to return to a portrayal of every degree from the 4th degree to the 18th degree. They have had an H.I.G. in 2016 and 2017 give a synopsis and overview of both degrees that was exceptionally well done and received by the Brethren present.

Valley Fellowship
The Valley holds a George Morris Night in early September to get the members back in the habit of attending the fall meetings. It is a casual steak fry and education night for invited men who may be Master Masons or who may not yet be Masons. In May there is an Inter- Valley Dinner, with the Valley of Windsor and the Valley of Chatham alternating as host, and inviting the Valley of Sarnia and the Valley of London.

In 2016 the steak BBQ was also the official visit of the S.G.C., Ill. Bro. Terry A. McLean and his lady Bonnie. It was also the first time they had invited the ladies to attend; of which the majority of the ladies expressed their pleasure to be there and what a great night was had by all.

Uniqueness of Valley
The most unique thing that happens in their end of the Province is the very special relationship that the Valley of Windsor and the Valley of Chatham have for each other. They install each other's Chapter of Rose Croix Officers every year; they share an Inter-Valley Night; the 33° members of each Valley visit back and forth with a steak BBQ in August hosted by the Valley of Windsor and a Pre-Christmas Dinner hosted by the Valley of Chatham.

Valley Connections to and Support of Craft Lodges
The Valley has a Scottish Rite member identified to be their representative, one for each area covering all the Lodges. This representative is there to offer assistance to Scottish Rite members in the Lodge, or to answer questions from others about Scottish Rite. There is currently a plan to carry out an education process in all the lodges of the area regarding Scottish Rite Freemasonry and what it has to offer. This was done about five years ago and they feel it is time to do it again.

Financial Health
They are financially sound for the foreseeable future, as they exercise financial restraint. They approved a small dues increase in both the Lodge of Perfection and the Chapter of Rose Croix last year to offset some cost increases, so as to not to deplete their capital.

General
The Valley of Chatham is known throughout the area for their warm and kind friendship with their neighbouring Valleys. They strive to put on and perfect every degree and have accomplished this with great enthusiasm. It is always a pleasure to witness their degrees and be welcomed into their presence.

My sincere thanks and appreciation to Ill. Bro. Brian Case, 33°, Grand Secretary / Registrar for the Valley of Chatham for all his assistance in preparing this report.

Valley of London – Established in 1868
London Lodge of Perfection (1002)
London Sovereign Chapter of Rose Croix (1080)

Membership
In 2016, the Lodge of Perfection initiated 9 new members and in 2017 they imitated 6 new members for a total of 15 new members. The Chapter of Rose Croix initiated 9 new members in 2016, 5 from the Valley of Sarnia Lodge of Perfection. The Chapter OF Rose Croix will be receiving new members in the fall of 2017.

In 2016, 49 members of the Valley of London passed to the Grand Lodge Above and in 2017, 27 members to date have passed away.

Communication
Meeting notices are mailed 5 times each year (January, February, March (March and April notices), September and October (October and November notices). The Valley Update is mailed in January and July; the latter mailing also includes a newsletter (Vox Pop) from the London Consistory Club. Separate inserts for the Chapter of Rose Croix Easter Ceremonies and the Family Christmas Gathering are included in the March and October mailings.

Other information is sent via email to those members for whom we have email addresses, approximately 360.

Leadership
Proposals for new events, etc. are first taken to the Valley Advisory Committee for discussion and amendment, if needed. A recommendation with regard to the proposal is then taken to Lodge and Chapter meetings for approval by the membership of each body. The proposal and the rationale for it are included in the notice for the meeting at which the proposal will be approved.

Recommendations for H.I.G. are generally solicited annually from the current H.I.G.s who are asked to complete the nomination form as far as they can. The completed forms are to be sent to the standing H.I.G. Committee for review and forwarded to the Deputy. The Valley of London attempts to balance the number of H.I.G. between, past T.P.G.M.s, past M.W.S.s and the general membership.

The H.I.G. Committee currently consists of 5 members: the Active Member of Supreme Council from the Valley of London, the Valley Grand Secretary / Registrar and 3 senior H.I.G.s with knowledge of the Valley membership.

Education and Enlightenment
The Valley is in the process of trying to reactivate degree teams for the 8th, 9th, and 10th degrees. Chapter of Rose Croix has begun offering short pieces of education at their regular meetings and having a speaker for Easter Sunday.

Education and Enlightenment degree explanations are distributed to new members at reunions on completion of the 14th and 18th degrees.

Valley Fellowship
Each calendar year commences with the Family of Freemasonry Luncheon at which a prominent mason is invited to be the keynote speaker. This is followed by the open installation ceremony of the officers of the London lodge of Perfection.

Consistory Club BBQ is a stag event held in August. Individuals who are not members of the Scottish Rite are welcome to attend.

The Valley of London Golf Classic is also held in August, again those who are not members of the Scottish Rite are invited to attend.

The Family Christmas Gathering is held the fourth Monday in November. This event includes the graduation ceremonies for the London Scottish Rite Learning Centre, the presentation of the Kingsmill Meritorious Service Award, some entertainment and a carol sing, followed by refreshments.

Uniqueness of Valley
The Valley of London Consistory Club is a growing identity, in the City of London, as they help out everyone with medical equipment. They have also offered medical devices and advice to the Valley of Windsor as they attempt to copy the Valley of London Consistory Club. The fellowship that occurs twice a week when the Consistory Club assembles to clean and repair the medical equipment is a great social outing for the Valley members and helps to keep the Consistory Club going.

The degrees are portrayed by different Masonic Districts in the area. This is a great way to keep the membership involved and recruit new members.

Valley's Connection to and Support of Craft Lodges
The Valley of London Consistory Club helps the local Lodges with financial support to modernize facilities.

Financial Health
The finances of the Valley of London Lodge of Perfection and Chapter of Rose Croix are in good, stable condition with a good return on investments.

General
A large number of deaths is depleting the membership numbers, but it is not depleting their desire and to portray excellent degrees. The Valley's many social activities keep the membership engaged and present a good image to the masons of the London area.

My sincere thanks and appreciation to Ill. Bro. James Ford, 33°, Grand Secretary / Registrar, of the Valley of London, for all his assistance in preparing this report.

Valley of Sarnia – Established in 1966
Sarnia Lodge of Perfection (204 members)

Membership
Died – 8
Initiated – 8

Communication
Majority (130) are on email. Some are still sent by Canada Post. They use a Telephone committee to notify members about special events.

Leadership
They have a Rite Club that meets a ½ hour before every meeting. This is where most of the decisions are made and debated. The H.I.G. meets to discuss and promote the next Valley Member to become a 33 degree H.I.G.

Education and Enlightenment
The Valley holds a Master Masons night in September. Last year they received 6 new applicants. This year they received 8 new applicants from the Master Masons Night. This has proven to be a great way to inform the Craft Lodge members about Scottish Rite in the Valley. Before they started holding the Master Masons Night, they would get 1 or 2 members.

Valley Fellowship
The Valley puts on several well attended events throughout the year. They hold their Master Masons Night, Bonspiel in the winter and a social night at a Golf Club.

Uniqueness of Valley
The Valley has a good mix of membership in regards to the age of their members.

The Valley of Chatham portrays the 5th degree during their reunion.

The Valley officers and H.I.G. attend a spring social with the Valley of Windsor and the Valley of Chatham at a central location in Chatham.

The Valley H.I.G. meets with the Valley of Windsor H.I.G and the Valley of Chatham H.I.G. for a Pre-Christmas Social put on by the Valley of Chatham at a Golf Course, in Chatham, in November.

Valley's Connection to and Support of Craft Lodges
The Valley has a Scottish Rite Degree Team that puts on the second degree in the Craft Lodges. It brings the members closer together as they travel to the Craft Lodges. The Scottish Rite Degree Teams is well received in the Sarnia District.

Financial Health
The Rite Club assists them with a $3,000.00 donation every year. They seem to be in good financial shape.

General
This was a special year, for the Valley of Sarnia, as they celebrated their 50th Anniversary of Scottish Rite Freemasonry. The Valley, with the permission of Supreme Council, produced and distributed a 50 year pin. I had the pleasure of attending with the Sovereign Grand Commander Ill. Bro. Terry A. McLean 33° on his Official Visit to the Valley to commemorate their 50th anniversary on November 22, 2016. We had the pleasure of having some of the original members from 50 years ago in attendance. It was great to listen to them speak about their experiences 50 years ago. Several 25 year Scottish Rite Mason pins were presented by the Sovereign Grand Commander.

I had the pleasure, on my Official Visit, to assist the Trice Puissant Grand Master in presenting three 50 years a Scottish Rite Mason pins and Certificates. We also presented 9 Certificates of Membership in the Lodge of Perfect to the newest members; the evening was well attended by the Valley members.

My sincere thanks and appreciation to Ill. Bro. Ken Kriebich, 33°, Grand Secretary for the Valley of Sarnia and Ex. Bro. Geoffrey Ainsworth, 18°, T.P.G.M. for all their assistance in preparing this report.

Valley of Windsor – Established in 1888
Windsor Lodge of Perfection (317)
Windsor Chapter of Rose Croix (286)

Membership
Died – 43 / Suspended – 28 / New members – 0.
The reason for the large number of recorded deaths and suspension is due to the diligent work of the Valley Secretary in bringing the membership list up-to-date with the cross references of

the Valley records, with the Craft Lodge secretaries. The Valley is now current in their membership list.

Communication
Communication is with a monthly notice and a Valley newsletter (The Pelican).
Also special event flyers are sent out. E-mail and Canada Post mail is used.

Leadership
Officers are on a one year term. A yearly meeting in January with the incoming T.P.G.M. and M.W.S. with the Valley H.I.G's to guide the upcoming years activities.

At a once a year meeting, all Valley H.I.G's have an open discussion, on their thoughts, for a potential H.I.G. After all have had input the final recommendation of potential H.I.G is done by a selection committee of three.

Education and Enlightenment (what did you do as a result of the Valley survey?)
The Valley project was to develop short essence of the Lodge of Perfection and Chapter of Rose Croix Degrees to present before each degree. The Valley lectures were presented until Supreme Council established the Lectures & Essence of the Lodge of Perfection and Chapter of Rose Croix Degrees, which are now used and are also presented to each new candidate at the end of the reunion. The Valley also decided that it would establish a Scottish Rite Library. That project is progressing slowly but books are being collected by donations from individual members and also by the support of Ill. Bro. Vic Lepp who introduced the Valley to the Supreme Council Liberian.

Valley Fellowship
Windsor Valley has a great many options for the members to share fellowship with one another and their ladies. Annual Chinese New Year's dinner, annual Perch Fish Fry, annual Golf outing to raise funds for the Windsor Learning Centre, a Valley team building workshop, annual Scottish Rite – York Rite friendship BBQ, and annual bus trip to the Valley of Chatham to install the members of the Chapter of Rose Croix into the chairs. Every other year the Valley has a bus trip to Moore Sovereign Consistory to portray the 23rd degree.

Uniqueness of Valley
Perseverance / Steadfastness

The Valley experienced a membership setback but was able to move forward with strong leadership and support of the members.

The Valley Officers and H.I.G. meet with the Valley of Sarnia and the Valley of Chatham annually for a dinner in the spring at a central location in Chatham.

The Valley of Windsor and the Valley of Chatham install each other's Chapter of Rose Croix Officers.

The Valley H.I.G. meets each year with the Valley of Sarnia and the Valley of Chatham for a Pre-Christmas dinner organized by the Valley of Chatham.

Valley Connections to and Support of Craft Lodges
Due to the aging of the membership the Valley Degree team has been cancelled for the time being.

Financial Health
The Valley uses a professional investment firm to manage their portfolio. Regular communication with the investment firm keeps the Valley up to date on their financial investments.

General
The Valley sponsors the Essex-Windsor Chapter of DeMolay.

The Windsor Valley learning centre is graduating 8 members this June.

The Valley has started (with the aid of the Valley of London) a Consistory Club that donates Medical devises to those in need. They now have a collection of wheelchairs, walkers, crutches and other small medical aids.

The Valley held their first ever Master Mason Night on May 30, 2017 with 16 master masons present. They used the format from Supreme Council, which was presented very professionally and received very well by those who attended. They had a few applications signed that night and great interest expressed by the remaining Brethren.

My sincere thanks and appreciation to Ill. Bro. Patrick Chartier, 33°, Grand Secretary / Registrar for the Valley of Windsor, for all his assistance in preparing this report.

Valley of Woodstock – Established in 1955
Woodstock Lodge of Perfection - 317
Centennial Chapter Rose Croix - 258

Membership
Membership is slowly declining at a rate of about 2% per year. They gained 6 new members in the Valley last year, consistent with recruitment results of previous years. Craft Lodges are failing and thus available new members are very limited.

Communication
The Valley communicates with its members by email, and Canada Post for those not on emails. They have held, and plan to hold, at least one Master Masons Night each year in Craft Lodges in their District and in neighbouring Districts from which they attract new members.

Leadership
The work of the Committee on Guidance and Improvement, chaired by Ill. Bro. Larry Hicks, continues to exhibit strong leadership. Whether the members are following the lead is difficult to determine, but things are well and certainly not in decline.

Education and Enlightenment
Membership initiatives have been pursued with reasonable, but discouraging, results. Master Mason nights, similar to the Friend-to-Friend program in Craft Lodges, are lacking in presentation materials good enough to attract the attention of prospective members away from other apparently-more-glamourous pursuits.

Valley Fellowship
Social events seem to be difficult to address because most members are of advanced age and living on meagre pensions, so that to-days high cost of participation is beyond their reach. Attendance of the few more affluent members is good, but insufficient to finance anything but the most basic of events.

Their annual Ladies Night, is increasing in popularity, while the Open Installation of Officers (and meal following) continues to be a moderate success.

Uniqueness of Valley
The Valley is certainly to be admired for portraying ever degree from the 4 through 18 on an annual basis. It is their habit to emphasize degree work rather than social and other activities.

Valley's Connection to and Support of Craft Lodges
Scottish Rite continues to be the backbone of all the Craft Lodges in their area. They would like to revive the old practice of providing Scottish Rite Degree teams to help out in the Craft Lodges.

Financial Health
The Valley operates on 100 percent Life Membership system. Current investments will be sufficient to ensure financial stability for 20 more years, but only if expenses are carefully managed. In each body they operate at approximately $15.00 per member per year.

General
It was a pleasure to attend the Lodge of Perfection Reunion with Ill. Bro. Robert S. Whitmore, 33°, Lieutenant Grand Commander, on November 05, 2016 when he was the Quest Speaker at the Banquet Luncheon. Ill. Bro. Victor Lepp, 33° Past Deputy for Ontario, was the Reunion Honouree. The Valley Notice read "Our reunion this year is named in his honour, in hopes that he will thereby understand how much we have appreciated his friendship and guidance, and with our sincere best wishes to him for god health to continue to serve Masonry and to be our very good friend for many years to come."

The class had ten candidates and the degrees were portrayed by various Lodges in the District. The Valley works very hard at keeping Scottish Rite Masonry alive and well in the area.

My sincere thanks and appreciation to Ill. Bro. Don Pratt, 33°, Grand Secretary / Registrar for the Valley of Woodstock for all his assistance in preparing this report.

In Closing
I express my thanks and appreciation to the Grand Secretary General, ILL. Bro. Robert D. Brethour, 33°, and to the Supreme Council staff in the persons of Ill. Bro. Steven Warren, 33°, Executive Secretary, and Ms. Leslie Drake for all their assistance throughout this my first year as Deputy for Ontario.

This has been a great year of learning and participation. I wish to extend my thanks to the Valley's for their warm welcoming and strong support. Scottish Rite is well and alive in Canada.

Respectfully submitted,
William A. Atkinson, 33°
Deputy for Ontario

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Report of the Deputy For
QUÉBEC

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers, and Brethren:

For the second time, I am pleased to report on the state of Scottish Rite Freemasonry in the Valley of Montréal and in the Province of Québec.

<u>Valley of Montréal</u>
(English Hochelaga & French Fleur-de-Lys)

Education and Enlightenment
Following the survey overseen by the Supreme Council a few years ago, the Valley of Montréal increased its efforts towards education, particularly regarding the specific lessons of each degree.

The new two-year schedule allows more time for education. During each meeting, one or two Ill. Bros. are requested by the T.P.G.M to deliver a short explanation of their feelings on the duties and lessons learned in the preceding degree.
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In Fleur-de-Lys, the French body of the Valley, the 9th degree is now conferred in full, at the initiative of the T.P.G.M Ill. Bro. Hervé Gagnon. As well, the quality of degree work has dramatically improved, thanks to a dynamic team of officers, the general atmosphere of the lodge is extremely positive, attendance is up, and the daily administration is once again running smoothly.

Membership
We keep greeting more and more skilled and educated young masons in our bodies.

I believe the membership decrease in the Valley of Montréal is stabilizing for the moment. We hope that the years to come will be more prosperous.

Special Events
Last November, the Montréal Valley celebrated AASR week by hosting a Master Mason Night where brethren put on an exemplification of the 7th and 15th degrees. The evening was well attended by master masons of different Lodges. In the course of the meeting, five 35 000$ research grants were presented to young doctors on behalf of The Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation of Canada. The evening ended in the festive room where everyone was greeted to wine and cheese.

On behalf of La Société d'Éducation et de Conservation Laval, of which I am an administrator, I wish to thank The Scottish Rite Foundation of Canada for the donation of 1,500$ grant from the Deputy Bursary Program. That money will be used to accommodate young children at our week-end summer camp, which they could not otherwise afford.

Next September, Montréal will be honored to host the Annual Session of the Supreme Council. I wish the greatest success to the brethren who are currently working to make this event unforgettable.

Necrology
It is with deep sorrow that I must announce the passing to the Grand Lodge Above, of Ill. Bro. Clifford Frank Forshaw, 33° and Past Grand Master of The Grand Lodge of Québec, last January. May he rest in peace.

Valley of Québec

Last April, the Valley of Québec was pleased to greet our SGC Ill. Bro. Terry McLean on the occasion of his Official Visit. That evening, the Ceremony of Maundy Thursday was held, followed by a festive board that our SGC will most likely never forget.

Heartfelt thanks to Ill. Bro. Réjean Laframboise, 33°, who represented me on this occasion. Again, I wish to convey my regrets to our SGC for not attending due to family illness.

As more and more French speaking men are joining Freemasonry in Québec City, due to the presence of the new French Lodge Sapientia 151, The Valley of Québec expects about six new candidates next year.

Official Visits
During each of my Official Visits, I was received with all the honours due to the Supreme Council of Canada.

Financial health
The Valley of Montréal and de Valley of Québec are in a very good financial health and the future looks bright.

Conclusion
Pour terminer j'aimerais remercier tous les officiers qui étaient en charge durant cette dernière année.

J'aimerais aussi remercier le Grands Secrétaires Ill. Bro. Opkar Sandhu, 33°, et l'Ill. Fr. Marc André Sicard, 33°, tous deux de la Vallée de Montréal, ainsi que l'Ill. Fr, André Leboeuf, 33°, de la Vallée de Québec.

I should like also to thank Ill. Bro. Robert Brethour, GSG, and Ill. Bro. Steven Warren for their precious assistance.

To our Sovereign Grand Commander, I wish to reiterate what a great pleasure it has been to serve our Supreme Council in La Belle Province.

Respectfully Submitted,
Respectueusement soumis,
Ill. Bro. Jean Reed, 33°
Deputy for Québec

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Report of the Deputy For
SASKATCHEWAN

To the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Peers, and Brethren:

It is my pleasure to report on the condition and activities of Scottish Rite Freemasonry in the Valleys Under my Jurisdiction, namely Saskatoon and Regina.

Along with official visits to each Valley, I made fraternal visits for Reunions, installation, Christmas celebrations, and degree team visits to Craft Lodges.

<u>Valley of Saskatoon</u>

Membership

The Valley of Saskatoon consists of The Saskatoon Lodge of Perfection with134 members (consisting of 4 new members, 0 restoration, 3 deaths, 2 withdrawals, and 3 suspensions with a total loss of 12 members over last year. The Saskatoon Chapter of Rose Croix has 128 members consisting of 4 new members, 0 restoration, 3 deaths, 2 withdrawals, and 7 suspensions, for an overall loss of 12 members over last year. The Saskatoon Consistory has 123 members, consisting of 5 initiations, 0 restoration, 3 deaths, 2 withdrawals, 0 restorations, and 7 suspensions, for a total loss of 12 members over last year.

Communication

Regular Lodge Notices are sent out to cover a two month span. Most of our notices are now sent out by email. Those wishing hard copies receive them. Special notices are sent by email, or regular mail for Reunions. We only confer degrees at Reunions in February (Perfection), Easter (Rose Croix), and October (Consistory). Email notices are sent out as reminders for executive meetings, practices, or any special meeting as required.

Leadership

In the last few years, Saskatoon has been fortunate to have no overlap of officers in all three bodies except for Secretary-Treasurer and Almoner. Most of the Honorary Inspectors-General take an active role in the degree work as participants or Directors. They are hardworking, and provide both leadership and mentoring roles.
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Valley Fellowship
At the Consistory Reunion in October, Regina members come to Saskatoon to assist with the Tents and Standards. Likewise some Saskatoon members go to Regina and assist with the work in their 32nd degree. In the past few years Regina has requested the Saskatoon 24th degree travelling team to go and portray the 24th degree.

Uniqueness of Valley
The Saskatoon Valley has a high percentage of younger thirty-thirds. As long as I have been Deputy, I have tried to elevate a younger member, and then a more mature member. The ritual work is very good, but we are lacking in social activities. In January, we have an installation banquet in the evening (which follows the installation of officers in the afternoon).The ladies are invited, as well as the fraternal ladies. The fraternal ladies are picked up by Lodge members, escorted and taken home again. They are all introduced, given all courtesies, and presented with a small gift as a token of our appreciation for their attendance. This has proven to be a very successful evening, but that is all we do. We need to do more. In accordance with this, we had a bar-be que in May (last meeting before our summer break, and then another bar-be-que in September to start the fall season. These were both one dollar burgers, and two dollar refreshments. Both of these events turned out to be very popular and well attended, so we will continue them.

Valley's Connections to and Support of Craft Lodges
The Valley of Saskatoon has a second degree team, which confers the second degree in full costume. They portray this degree in and around Saskatoon. Many of the members of this degree team are younger members who do excellent work. This has a lasting impression on the members of those Lodges who are not members of the Scottish Rite. It also helps that many of our Scottish Rite members are regular attenders of their own craft Lodges (including five Grand Masters).

Financial Health
The Auditors Report indicates that this Valley is in a good financial position, and I know that our Secretary-Treasurer is fully competent, and does an excellent job.

General
The Valley of Saskatoon is an excellent place to visit. The environment in the room is warm and friendly. The more mature brethren are willing to give the younger ones a chance, even to make mistakes, and learn by them so they improve. As stated earlier, the thirty-thirds are hardworking and co-operative. This positive attitude has done, and will continue to serve the Valley of Saskatoon well.

Valley of Regina

Membership
The Regina Lodge of Perfection consists of 274 members, with 2 initiates, 14 deaths, 8 withdrawals, 1 suspension, and 1 restorations, for an overall loss over last year of 18 members. The Regina Chapter of Rose Croix has 262 members, including 11 initiates, 13 deaths, 1 withdrawal, and 1 restorations for a total loss of 21 members over last year. The Saskatchewan Consistory has 246 members, including 8 initiates, 13 deaths, 7 withdrawals, and 1 restorations for an overall loss of 21 members over last year.

Communication
The major form of communication is through monthly notices, again mostly email with some mail outs for those who don't have computers. The Regina Valley, like Saskatoon portrays degrees at Reunions three times a year (fall, Easter and spring). Reunion notices are complete with cast members, officers, and of course candidates.

Leadership
Although there is very little overlap of officers in the three bodies, there is difficulty at times in getting those officers to commit. Of course there are very experienced Actives and Past Actives in this Valley, as well as hardworking HIGs.

Valley Fellowship
On the Saturday of the Perfection and Consistory unions, a sumptuous lunch is held for the members in the lower hall of the Masonic Temple. In late November, A Christmas dinner and fraternal ladies night is held. This is a wonderful occasion, full of goodwill, good food, fellowship and some degree of excitement over the approaching Christmas Season. The turnout for this occasion has been excellent.

Uniqueness of Valley
As mentioned previously, Saskatoon and Regina visit back and forth and help each other in the portrayal of the work. This provides an opportunity for goodwill and fellowship which both Valleys enjoy.

Valley's Connections to and support of Craft Lodges
A majority of the members of the Regina Valley are active members and officers in the Craft Lodges in their area including three Grand Masters.

Financial Health
This Valley is in good shape financially, with an excellent Secretary and Treasurer at the helm.

General
The Valley of Regina is a place where visitors are welcomed with open arms, and their hospitality is second to none. I attended the Consistory Reunion in Regina on May 14 to observe the portrayal of the 32nd degree. This degree was put on by new and younger Consistory Officers. The degree was put on in an exemplary manner by these young officers, with some help from the experienced HIGs. This was the best 32nd degree I have seen in Regina, and I congratulated them on their performance. As a general comment I would like to state that our younger members in both Valleys are really doing a good job in their respective offices. They are interested, committed and enthusiastic. Their performance is the best I have seen since I have been Deputy. The future looks bright.

In closing I would like to express my thanks and appreciation to the Grand Secretary General, Ill. Bro. Robert Brethour, 33°, and to the Supreme Council staff in the persons of Ill. Bro. Steven Warren, 33°, COO/Executive Secretary, Ms. Leslie Drake and for all your assistance.

Respectfully submitted,
William C. Fitzsimmons, 33°
Deputy for Saskatchewan

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Rejoice ye dead, where'er your spirits dwell
Rejoice that yet on earth your fame is bright,
And that your names, remembered day and night,
Live on the lips of those who love you well.
~ Robert Bridges

HONORARY INSPECTORS-GENERAL

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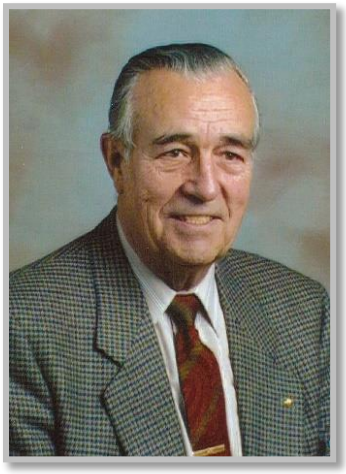


Ill. Bro. David E. Amis quietly passed away on December 5, 2016 at the Veterans Residence of Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, Toronto in his 92nd year. David was married to Margaret for 68 years. Father of David, Barbara (Ron), loving grandfather to Jessica (Eric) and survived by his daughter Beverley (Christopher) and granddaughter Sarah (Ian). He was predeceased by his brothers Frank, William and Frederick and will be missed by sisters Margaret, Betty and Jane.

David served in the Canadian Merchant Navy from January 1942 to August 1947. David was a member of the City of Toronto Fire Department, retiring after 38 years as Fire Captain.

Ill. Bro. Amis' Masonic journey began on May 4, 1956 when he was initiated into Remembrance Lodge No. 586 G.R.C. David was passed on September 7, 1956 and raised on November 30, 1956. David served as Master of Remembrance Lodge in 1965. David also served Remembrance Lodge as Treasurer for many years. David was also a member of Dufferin Daylight Lodge No. 570 G.R.C. and served as Secretary for 3 years.

Ill. Bro. Amis joined the Toronto Grand Lodge of Perfection in March 1964, receiving his 14th Degree on May 11, 1964. He received his 18th Degree on April 18, 1976 and his 32nd Degree at Moore Sovereign Consistory on May 8, 1976. David was an active participant in a number of degrees in the Valley of Toronto as a member of the cast as well as a director, being particularly involved as a Director or the 5th and 11th degrees for many years. David was coroneted an Honorary Inspector-General 33° on September 12, 1996 at the Supreme Council Sessions held in Calgary.

Ill. Bro. Amis was also active as a member of Rameses Shriners.
Although David's health prevented him from being active in recent years, he will be missed by his many friends in the Valley of Toronto.

ILL. BRO. JASON BRANDON **ASHLEY**, 33°

Ill. Bro. Dr. Jason Brandon Ashley passed away Tuesday May 2nd, 2017 at Maison McCulloch Hospice at the age of 43, surrounded by his family.

Ill. Bro. Jason Brandon Ashley was born on July 10th, 1973 in South Rock Falls, Ontario.

Jason went to the Laurentian University, receiving his Honours Bachelor of Science Degree in 1999. He then went to University of Western Ontario where he received his Doctor of Medicine Degree. While at Western, he was editor-in-chief of the University Medical Journal. After graduation, he became Chief Resident at Western University until 2008. He then became Staff Resident at Health Science North in Sudbury and Regional Imaging Lead for Cancer Care Ontario until his passing.

Jason was initiated on May 11, 1995 in Cochrane Lodge No.530 in Cochrane, Ontario; Passed on January 29, 1996 and Raised on September 28, 1996. He affiliated with Algonquin Lodge No.536 and was installed as its Worshipful Master on April 28, 2012. On July 21, 2016, he was invested as District Deputy Grand Master, Sudbury-Manitoulin, and Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Jason joined North Bay Lodge of Perfection, May 3, 1996; North Bay Chapter of Rose Croix, October 5, 1996, and received his 32° on April 10, 1997 from Moore Sovereign Consistory. Jason served as Grand Captain of the Host for the years of 2009-2010, Grand Expert for 2010-2011 and Grand Master of Ceremonies for 2011-2012. He was coroneted an Honorary Inspector-General in Winnipeg, Manitoba on September 13th, 2012.

He is survived by his loving wife Michelle and three beautiful children Elizabeth, Paul, and Everest. He will be sadly missed by his parents, Paul & Dorothy, his brother Colin and wife Paula (from Toronto) and his aunt Barb LaCourse (from Lindsay). Remembered fondly by his father-in-law Richard Trembley (from Lively) and his brother-in-law Mike and wife Brenda (from Milton).

He was an incredible man with a zest for life that was unparalleled. We will carry him in our hearts forever.

ILL. BRO. LYLE GORDON **BYERS**, 33°

Ill. Bro. Lyle Gordon Byers 33°, who died Sept. 27, 2016 at the age of 68, was a much admired Mason who had a distinguished career in the Scottish Rite, the Eastern Star and the Shrine. He was a skilled ritualist who took part in and directed AASR degrees in the Valley of Ottawa.

When he fell ill he was Chief Rabban of Karanak Shriners and he had been named honorary Potentate when he died. He was a past Patron of Winchester Chapter No. 310 OES.

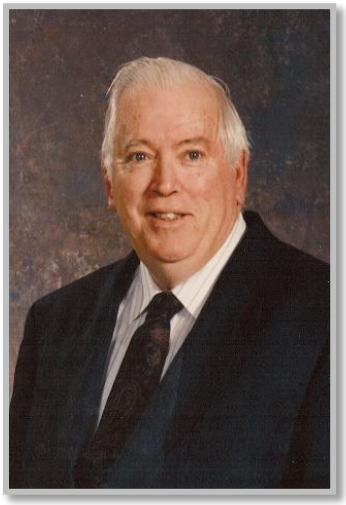
Born in Chesterville, ON, he established himself in dairy farming in 1977 after working for Ontario Hydro for six years. He also built the Byers Funeral Home in South Mountain, Ont., a business which involved his wife, Gloria, and their Daughter, Vicky. His other children are Bill and Kelly. Lyle and Gloria were grandparents to five youngsters.

Ill. Bro. Byers was initiated in Henderson Lodge No. 383 in Winchester, Ont., in November, 1974. He was passed and raised there the following year and served as Worshipful Master of Henderson Lodge in 1982-83. He was DDGM of Eastern District in 1985-86.

He joined Scottish Rite Masonry in March of 1983 and received his 32nd degree in April of that year. He was Thrice Puissant Grand Master of the Ottawa Lodge of Perfection in 1992-93. He was coroneted an Honorary Inspector General in 1996. In 2012-13 the class of candidates in Ottawa was named after him.

Lyle will be remembered for his dedicated Masonic work, his ready smile and his welcoming attitude to all he met.

ILL. BRO. WILBERT ANDREW **CRANSTON**, 33°



The Valley of Windsor was extremely saddened by the sudden passing of Ill. Bro Wilbert Cranston on June 2, 2017 at 84 years. He has been in a Nursing Home for several years with ongoing Dementia difficulties. . His sudden passing was a shock to the Masonic District and the Valley of Windsor. Ill. Bro Cranston was a dedicated, active, and a regular member of Windsor Valley Scottish Rite until his illness. He was also involved in several Bodies of Masonry, and community activities in the Wheatley and Essex County, Ontario area.

Ill. Bro. Cranston was born on June 18, 1932 in Wheatley, Ontario; and his early life was spent on the family farm. He received his early education in Wheatley and area, and after High School; He worked at H.J. Heinz in Leamington until his retirement.

Wilbert married Lillian Kendall and they have one daughter, Mary Lou; and one son, Bob. Wilbert was an active member of Wheatley United Church, and served on the Boar. Ill. Bro. Cranston was active in community endeavours; and he was a Mentor for many Masons in the Wheatley – Essex county area.

Ill. Bro. Cranston was initiated in Xenophon Lodge No. 448 A.F. & A.M. in Wheatley, Ontario on October 15, 1970. He received the F.C. Degree and M.M. Degree in Xenophon Lodge No. 448 in 1971. He was Worshipful Master in 1978; and District Deputy Grand Master, Erie District in 1992. He was a member of Mocha Shriners, London, and Sun Parlour Shrine Club.

Ill. Bro. Cranston was Secretary of Xenophon Lodge No. 448 for 12 years. He was a member of King Cyrus Chapter No. 119 Royal Arch Masons, Leamington. Wilbert was also President of the Windsor District Past Masters and Officers Association in 1996. He was a Past Patron of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Wilbert received the 14th degree A.A.S.R on May 14, 1977; the 18th degree in Windsor Chapter of Rose Croix on November 22, 1977; and the 32nd degree in Moore Sovereign Consistory, Hamilton, Ontario on May 6, 1978. Ill Bro. Cranston was M.W.S. of Windsor Chapter of Rose Croix in 1990. He was a cast member, and Degree Director for several degrees.

In recognition of his many Masonic and community activities Ill. Bro. Cranston was Coroneted an H.I.G. 33 in Montréal, Québec on September 17, 1998

A good attendance of Brethren was present for the Masonic Memorial Service held on June 7, 2017 at Hammond Funeral Home, Wheatley. Cremation has taken place; and on June 8, 2017 the Memorial service was held at the Funeral Home

We extend our sincere sympathy to his family. He will be greatly missed, and we give thanks for the privilege afforded us in knowing and remembering this active and distinguished Mason.

ILL. BRO. HORATIO DARYL **CURRIE**, 33°

Ill. Bro. H. Daryl Currie passed away on July 9, 2017 in Toronto ON. Daryl was born November 30, 1938 in St. John, NB. He was predeceased by his wife June and daughter Heather and survived by children Dale, who is a Mason, Susan and Linda and 3 grandchildren. Daryl's business career was with CP Railway for 38 years and one day when he retired December 11, 1993 as a conductor.

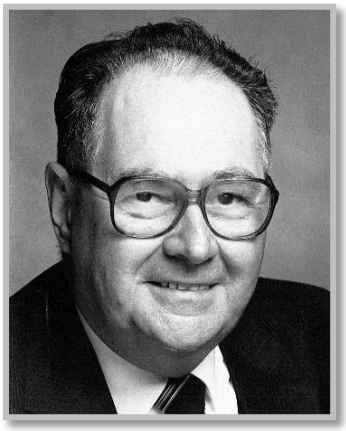
Ill. Bro. Currie's masonic journey started with his initiation into Humber Lodge No. 305 G.R.C. on December 5, 1991. He was passed on March 19, 1992 and raised on October 15, 1992. He later affiliated with Occident Lodge No. 346 G.R.C. which is now Zetland-Wilson Lodge No. 86 G.R.C. Daryl served as an officer in all three of his Lodges.

Ill. Bro. Currie's Scottish Rite journey began on October 11, 1994 when he joined the Toronto Grand Lodge of Perfection. He subsequently joined the Toronto Sovereign Chapter Rose Croix and received his 18th degree on April 16, 1995 and his 32nd Degree in Moore Sovereign Consistory, Hamilton on May 6, 1995. For many years he was the Assistant to the Master of Appointments in the Valley of Toronto. Daryl took great pride in ensuring that the Lodge and Chapter in the Valley of Toronto were properly set up for the various degrees. Ill. Bro. Currie was coroneted an Honorary Inspector-General 33° on September 16, 2004 at the Supreme Council Session held in Edmonton AB.

Daryl was a member of Rameses Shriners and served as a Director of the Mrisela Unit in 2000 and 2001.

Ill. Bro. Currie could trace his roots to the United Empire Loyalists and was a proud member of the UEL Association of Canada. Daryl's volunteer service was recognized when he received the Canada 125 Medal from the Governor General and in 2002 he was recognized with a community volunteer certificate and the Queens Golden Jubilee Medal.

ILL. BRO. FRANK GERALD **DUNN**, 33°



Ill. Bro. Frank Gerald Dunn 33° peacefully passed away on Wednesday, February 8, 2017. Ill. Bro. Dunn was born on April 16, 1928 in Sillery, Québec (between Ste. Foy and Québec City) while his parents were enroute from Saint John, New Brunswick to Toronto. The family returned to Saint John in 1929 due to the depression and remained there until May, 1940 when they moved back to the Toronto area. Frank obtained his schooling in Saint John and Toronto. Frank worked in the trucking business and worked in the insulation trade with Johns-Manville and Good7ear Tire and Rubber Co. This led to Frank staring his own company, Dunn Insulation, which prospered for 15 years. However, in August 1984, Frank suffered two heart attacks within a week which forced him into early retirement.

Frank married Gloria Hunwicks on October 18, 1952. Frank was a proud and loving uncle to Julie (Reid), Mark, David (Yves), Brad (Lenka), Liisa (Charles), Michael (Jennifer), Kathryn (John), Steven (Anna) and Jonathan and a great-uncle to Jennifer (Mark), Lauren, Andrew, Rachel, Cassidy and Adam.

Ill. Bro. Dunn's Masonic journey started on March 25, 1964 when he was initiated into Credit Lodge No. 219 G.R.C. in Georgetown, ON. He was passed and raised later in 1964 and was made an

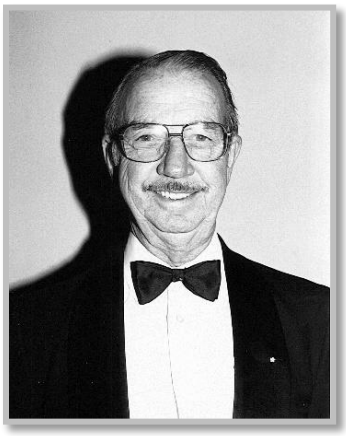
Honorary member of Credit Lodge in 1987. Frank affiliated with Lakeshore Lodge No. 645 G.R.C. in Mississauga in 1965 and served as Worshipful Master in 1978-1979. He also affiliated with Runnymede Lodge No. 619 G.R.C from 1984 until 2000. Frank was elected and served as Grand Junior Warden of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario in 1987-1988. Frank was subsequently appointed to the Board of General Purposes from 1991-1993 and elected to the Board of General Purposes 1993-1995. Ill. Bro. Dunn was a member of Heritage Lodge No. 730 G.R.C. and served as Worshipful Master in 1992.

Ill. Bro. Dunn's Scottish Rite journey began on February 6, 1967 when he received his 4th Degree in the Toronto Grand Lodge of Perfection, obtaining his 14th Degree on May 8, 1967, the 18th Degree in the Toronto Sovereign Chapter Rose Croix on January 18, 1968, and his 32nd Degree in Moore Sovereign Consistory on May 11, 1968. Frank served as Most Wise Sovereign of the Toronto Sovereign Chapter Rose Croix in 1990-1991. He also affiliated with all three bodies in the Valley of Barrie in 1988. Ill. Bro. Dunn was coroneted an Honorary Inspector-General on September 9, 1993 at the 119th Annual Sessions held in Hamilton, ON.

Frank and Gloria were strong supporters of both the Valley of Toronto and the Valley of Barrie and in particular the Barrie Learning Centre.

A dedicated mason, brother, friend and mentor, we will cherish his memory in our hearts.

ILL. BRO. CLYDE HENRY **ELFORD**, 33°



Ill. Bro. Clyde Elford 33° passed to the Grand Lodge above on October 8, 2016 at the age of 96.

Ill. Bro. Elford was born October 11, 1920 in North Vancouver, BC. His life included an extensive Masonic Career and a life full of memories.

Ill. Bro. Elford was initiated into Freemasonry August 25, 1944, passed January 26, 1945 and raised June 25, 1945 in St. Andrews Lodge No. 7, Sydney, NS.

He received his 4° January 1949, the 14° November 8, 1949, and the 18° February 28, 1951 in Victoria, BC and the 32° April 30, 1955 in Vancouver, BC.

Ill. Bro. Elford affiliated with Glenbow Lodge No. 184 GRA and then with the Valley of Calgary in 1975. With the Valley of Calgary he served as TPGM in 1980, Coroneted an Honourary Inspector General, September 13, 1990, and became a Life Member of the Valley of Calgary in 1991.

Noble Clyde Elford joined Gizeh Shrine in 1955 and affiliated with the Al Azhar Shrine in 1958. He was a long time member of the Legion of Honor.

He served as DDGM 1989-90 and Grand Rep Alaska for the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

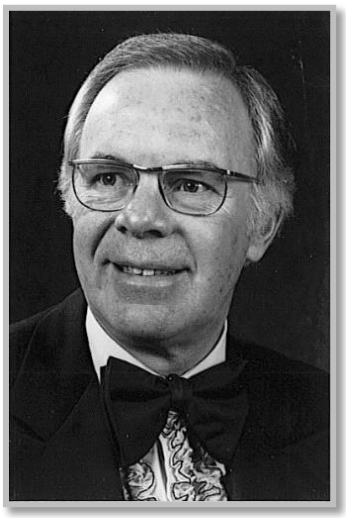
In his private life he worked for Robin Hood Multifoods Ltd. for over 32 years. Served in the Royal Canadian Navy during World War II, and was active in the Alberta Progressive Conservative Party. He was involved with the Calgary Stampede and a host of other community organizations for many years.

Ill. Bro. Elford received many accolades for these efforts, including the Queen's Diamond Jubilee medal as well as citations from several Alberta Premier's and the Canadian Prime Minister.

Ill. Bro. Elford had very strong views and an enjoyment of a lively discussion. While not always an easy man to deal with, we know he will be missed.

Ill. Bro. Elford was predeceased by Ruth, his wife of over 50 years. We express our sympathy to Clyde's son Robert and his family.

ILL. BRO. DONALD CARMAN **FLEGG**, 33°



Ill. Bro. Donald Carman Flegg 33° peacefully passed away on Friday, February 3rd, 2017.

Ill. Bro. Flegg was born on November 23, 1925 in Regina, Saskatchewan, the oldest of three siblings: brother Keith and sister Sharon. Don received his education in Regina, attending Davin School and Central High School. In June 1944, Don joined the Air Force and was discharged in November of the same year. His military career continued as he joined the Army in January of 1945, and was discharged in December of 1945.

Leaving the military, his first job was with the Great Western Saddlery, traveling around the province by train, selling leather goods and other items needed by shoe makers. Don later worked for Stanfield's Ltd for 40 years retiring in 1988.

Don was a member of the North West Commercial Traveller's Association for 49 years Don received a recognition in 1990 for his contribution to the Men's Wear Industry of Saskatchewan.

Don married Carol Robinson on June 21, 1952 at St. Paul's Cathedral in Regina. Don was a proud and loving father to daughter Nancy (Doug Porcina); and they have two children: Mark and Bronwen; and son Robb (Diane); and children Erin and Elizabeth.

Ill. Bro. Flegg's Masonic journey started in 1955 when he was initiated into Banner Lodge #154 G.R.S. in Regina, Sask. He was passed and raised later in 1956.

Ill. Bro. Flegg's Scottish Rite journey began on May 10, 1957 when he received his 4th Degree in the Regina Lodge of Perfection, obtaining his 14th Degree on May 11, 1957, the 18th Degree in the Saskatoon Chapter of Rose Croix on April 3, 1958 and his 32nd Degree in the Saskatchewan Consistory in Regina on March 1, 1960. Don served as Most Wise Sovereign of the Saskatoon Chapter of Rose Croix and Commander-in-Chief of the Saskatchewan Consistory. Ill Don was coroneted an Honorary Inspector-General in 1978.

Don and Carol were strong supporters of both the Saskatoon and Regina Valleys.

A dedicated mason, brother and friend, we will cherish his memory in our thoughts.

ILL. BRO. JOHN EDWARD **FORSDICK**, 33°

It is with great sadness that we note the passing of Ill. Bro. John Edward Forsdick, 33° on 29 January, 2016.

Ill. Bro. Forsdick was born in Saskatoon, SK on 11 July, 1925. He moved to Toronto in 1937 and during WW 2 served with the Royal Canadian Navy. He returned to Saskatchewan on 1946 and joined the RCMP. John spent his policing career in Saskatchewan serving in communities like Waskesiu, Carrot River, Moosomin, Melfort, Yorkton and Weyburn where he met his wife Dorothy. Ill. Bro. Forsdick retired in 1973 at the rank of Staff Sergeant. Upon retiring he moved the family to Edmonton where he worked with the Alberta Securities Commission.

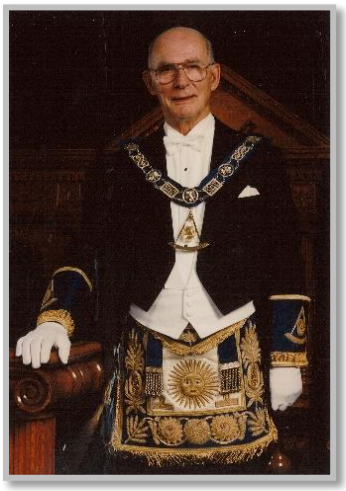
John was very active and highly respected in the communities where he lived. He was very committed to the Boy Scouts, the Gun Club and St. Johns Ambulance. He was also active in the RCMP Veterans Association. John had a great love of the outdoors, enjoying camping in early years and travelling worldwide well into his 80's.

Ill. Bro. Forsdick began his Masonic career in Moosomin Lodge in 1959. He served as Worshipful Master and Secretary of Norwood Lodge No. 90 and was D.D.G.M. of District No. 10.

John received his 4th degree in the Edmonton Lodge of Perfection on 9 February, 1977, his 32nd degree on 28 October, 1977 in Alberta Consistory and was coroneted an Honourary Inspector General on the 12 September, 2002

"Farewell my Brother".

ILL. BRO. CLIFFORD FRANK **FORSHAW**, 33°



Most Worshipful Brother Clifford F. Forshaw was born August 29, 1930 in Montréal where he received all his formal education. He started his business career in advertising with the Montréal Star but moved on to the insurance business with Sun Life Assurance at an early age. He married the late Marjorie Marie Wright from Rawdon, Québec and shortly thereafter opened his own insurance agency in Rawdon. He had three children, Karen, Gary and Caroline and was blessed with five grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

On September 8th, 1955 Most Worshipful Brother Clifford F. Forshaw was initiated into Zetland Lodge No. 12, A.F. & A.M., G.R.Q., receiving his 3° on May 16, 1956. In 1965 he was installed as the Worshipful Master. In 1965 he also became a Charter member of Rawdon Centennial Lodge No. 135 and served as Worshipful Master in 1973. Brother Forshaw was appointed Grand Director of Ceremonies in 1987 to the late Past Grand Master Durward B. Geffken and served until 1989. In 1990 he was appointed District Deputy Grand Master for Montréal District No. 1.In 1993 he was elected Deputy Grand Master until 1995 when he was elected Grand Master.

At the All Canada Conference in Winnipeg, Manitoba in March of 1995 he was elected Vice President of the 1996 All Canada Conference.

On September 28th, 1966 he was admitted to membership in the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite and attaining his 32° on March 22nd, 1969. He served as Most Wise Sovereign of the Hochelaga

Sovereign Chapter of Rose Croix in 1999-2000. He was coroneted a Honourary Inspector General 33°, at Supreme Council, in Toronto, September 15, 2005. He was awarded a fifty year pin in 2016.

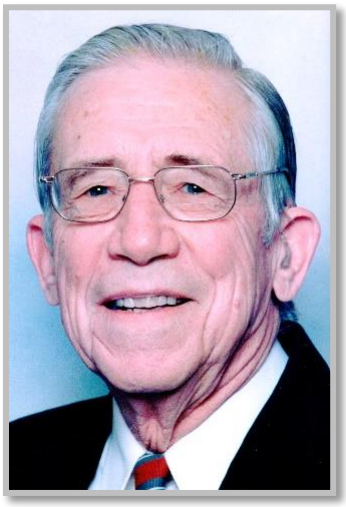
He is a life member of Montréal Chapter No. 7 in Royal Arch Masonry. Brother Forshaw was admitted into membership of the Royal Order of Scotland in 1990. He is also a member of the Philalethes Society and the Southern California Research Lodge. He is a member of the Montréal Hi-Twelve Club.

Brother Forshaw was the Grand Representative for the Grand Lodge of the State of Vermont near the Grand Lodge of Québec.

He retired as a practicing insurance broker and owner of C.F. Forshaw & Associates, general insurance brokers.

He passed to the Grand Lodge above on January 24, 2017.

ILL. BRO. RAYMOND LLOYD **GAMBLE**, 33°



The Valley of Kingston mourns the passing of Ill. Bro. Raymond Lloyd Gamble on Friday, January 6, 2017 in Kingston, Ontario in his 91st year.

Raymond leaves his wife of 67 years, Meta (nee Simpson), his son Bruce and daughter Dava, grandchildren Ryan, Robb, Michael and Aimee, and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his sister Marjorie and brothers Borden and Marvin.

Raymond was employed with Canadian Industries Limited and Chown Limited Hardware Wholesale in his early years. He was Director and Vice-President of Rothwell Perrin Building Co. Ltd. (1956-1967), Director and Vice-President of Precision Built Homes of Canada (1957-1963), and President of R.L. Gamble Limited, Castle Building Centre, in Portland, Ontario, which he established in 1971, until his retirement.

Raymond was a Past President of Rideau Lakes District Council Boy Scouts of Canada, a Past Chairman of Portland Community Recreation Centre, a Past Member of the Advisory Board of Rideau District High School, a Past Chairman of Portland United Church Board, and an Elder of Portland United Church.

Raymond began his Masonic career in Simpson Lodge, No. 157, Newboro, on September 12, 1952. He served in most of the Lodge offices, including Worshipful Master. He served as District Deputy Grand Master of Frontenac Masonic District in 1976-77. He became a member of the Kingston Lodge of Perfection, receiving his 14th degree on November 20, 1958. He received his 18th degree in the Rose of Sharon Chapter of Rose Croix, Kingston, on March 24, 1960. He received his 32nd degree in Moore Sovereign Consistory, Hamilton on November 10, 1961.

He served as Most Wise Sovereign of the Rose of Sharon Chapter of Rose Croix in 1971. He was coroneted an Honorary Inspector-General, 33° on September 9, 1977 in Hamilton, Ontario.

Raymond was a gentleman, sincere, modest, and amiable. He was a good community person and was well respected in all Masonic circles. He served the Craft and his Valley for many years and will be fondly remembered by his brethren.

ILL. BRO. GERALD MORGAN **GREENSLADE**, 33°
John Ross Matheson Award Recipient

Ill. Bro. Gerald Morgan Greenslade was born October4, 1924 in Long Pond, Conception Bay South, NL. In his younger years he enjoyed boating and served as a member of the Royal Newfoundland Yacht Club. He joined the Royal Navy in March, 1940 and served honourably until 1946 - travelling an estimated 200,000 kilometres by sea to the United Kingdom, Africa, the Mediterranean, Middle East, and Far East. He lived the rest of his life in Newfoundland where he founded the company, Greenslade Construction Ltd.

Gerald was a charter member of Lodge Conception (Grand Lodge of Scotland) and a member of Avalon Lodge (Grand Lodge of Newfoundland and Labrador). He was a member of the St. John's Valley, Scottish Rite, and was co-founder and first Commander-in-Chief of the Newfoundland and Labrador Consistory. Gerald was coroneted an Honorary Inspector General in 1980 and was honoured by Supreme Council in 2007 as a recipient of the John Ross Matheson Award. He was a member of the Royal Order of Scotland and the St. John's Shrine Club.

Gerald led the rapidly growing community of Conception Bay South (CBS) into incorporation and in 1973 he was appointed the Town's first mayor where he served voluntarily from 1973 to 1977. He was a past Lion's Citizen of the Year, the first president of the CBS Chamber of Commerce, and Charter Member of the CBS Business Association. He was also the first veteran to be honoured as part of the town of CBS Veteran and Family Community Covenant in 2012.

Gerald's life was one filled with service to his family and to his community. He was instrumental in the construction of Branch 50 of the Royal Canadian Legion where he served as President, Service Officer, and life member. Gerald received many awards for his contributions throughout his lifetime including the Queen's Silver, Golden, and Diamond Jubilee medals, Citizen of the Year (1978, CBS Lion's Club); the Palm Leaf to the Meritorious Medal (1972, the highest award the Royal Canadian Legion can bestow upon any of its members) and was given the Commemorative Medal for the 125 anniversary of the Confederation of Canada in 1992.

Gerald passed peacefully September 23, 2016 in his 96th year at the Caribou Memorial Veteran's Pavilion. He will be sorely missed by all who knew him.

ILL. BRO. ALLAN STUART **GRIEVE**, 33°

Allan S. Grieve, a longtime member of the Valley of Hamilton passed to the Grand Lodge above on March 11, 2017 after many years of declining health. Al was initiated into Tuscan Lodge No. 551 on February 2, 1950. He was passed and raised in Tuscan Lodge as well, being advanced to the Third Degree on May 4, 1950. In 1984, he affiliated with Meridian Lodge No. 687 and was Worshipful Master of that Lodge in 1988-1989. Al joined Murton Lodge of Perfection on May 3, 1966, the Hamilton Sovereign Chapter of Rose Croix on November 2, 1966 and Moore Sovereign Consistory on November 11, 1967. He served as Thrice Puissant Grand Master of Murton in 1980 and 1981. He was also a member of Hamilton Chapter R.A.M. No. 175. He became an Honorary Inspector General, 33° on September 15, 1983 at the Annual Sessions of Supreme Council in Toronto.

Al contributed to the Valley of Hamilton and Murton Lodge of Perfection in multiple ways. For many years, he was the senior surviving Thrice Puissant Grand Master of the Lodge. One of his best remembered roles in degree work was his portrayal of Joseph in Egypt in the Twenty-Sixth Degree. Al held this part for many years and continued to perform until the Valley of Peterborough took over the performance of the degree on a permanent basis.

Al is survived by his wife, the former Lois Harrison, whom he married in 1950 and by five daughters and fourteen grandchildren. He was predeceased by his son Jeffrey in 1983. Al and Lois were extremely active in Linden Park United Church for many years and at First United Church prior to that. Al was educated in Hamilton, receiving his early education at George L. Armstrong Public School and his post-secondary education at the Hamilton Institute of Technology. He apprenticed as an automotive mechanic at Canada Coach Lines. He commenced employment with the Hamilton Fire Department in 1951, retiring as Deputy Chief of the department in 1986. The members of the Valley of Hamilton have many wonderful memories of Allan Stuart Grieve. He will be greatly missed.

ILL. BRO. SAMUEL JAMES **HANNA**, 33°

Ill. Bro. Samuel James Hanna passed away in his 85th year at Chartwell London, on Wednesday, September 21, 2016 following a long battle with Parkinson's disease.

Ill. Bro. Hanna was born in Toronto, Ontario on June 14, 1932 and received his education in Perth Avenue and Humbercrest Public Schools and Runnymede Collegiate, all in Toronto.

After moving to London, he joined the Glendale Sand & Stone Limited which he later purchased.

He was long time member of Richards Memorial United Church where he served as President and Treasurer of Richards Memorial Day Care. He was also the Past President and Past Treasurer of Argyle Manor Corporation, a 51 Unit Seniors Building founded by Richards Memorial United Church

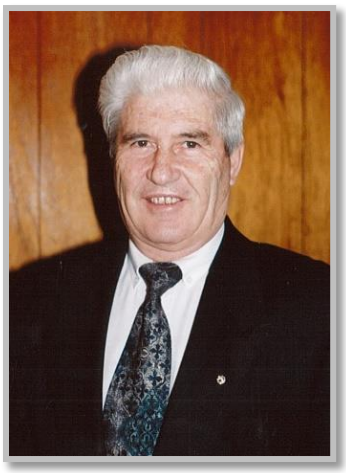
Ill. Bro. Hanna was initiated in St. John's Lodge No. 20 G.R.C., on April 22, 1964 and served as Worshipful Master in 1971. He was elected District Deputy Grand Master, London East District in July, 1982. He was also a member of Centennial Lodge No. 684 and Temple Lodge No. 597. He was the founder and, for a number of years, the editor of Out of the Blue, the London East District newsletter.

He joined the London Lodge of Perfection, May 4, 1973, the London Sovereign Chapter of Rose Croix, March 30, 1974 and Moore Sovereign Consistory, May 6, 1978. He served as Thrice Puissant Grand Master of London Lodge of Perfection in 1989 and as Grand Chaplain for a number of years. He was also was a long time director of the 8th degree and a member of a number of several Lodge of Perfection and Rose Croix degree teams.
He was elected as Registrar of London Sovereign Chapter of Rose Croix in 1997 and held that office until 2001.

He was coroneted an Honorary Inspector-General 33° on September 17, 1998 in Montréal QC.
He was a member of Mocha Shrine and the Bruce Shrine Club.

Ill. Bro. Hanna was predeceased by his wife, the former Phyllis Taylor (1998). He is survived by his daughter, Jill Cameron (Dr. David J. Cameron) of Waterloo and his son James (Lynda) of Parry Sound, 4 grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren and his brother John.

ILL. BRO. RONALD WILBUR **HEAL**, 33°



Ronald Wilber Heal born November 11, 1932 at Maryfield, SK. passed away May 3rd, 2017 after a very short illness. He was the 5th of 10 children. Ron lived on the farm until he moved to Regina SK. at age 19 and started working at CP RAIL and retired 42 years later. He married Muriel Little in 1962 and they had three children and four grandsons.

While working at CP RAIL Ron also worked at the fledging CPR Credit Union. Ron ended up President of this Credit union for several years.

Ron joined King Hiram Lodge 104 in April, 1975. Ron proceeded to go through the chairs and was Master in 1983.He joined Scottish Rite and also went through two parts of the Scottish Rite chairs. Ron joined Royal Order of Scotland and was honoured with a 33rd degree in Barrie, Ontario in 1997.

In 1978 Ron joined the WaWa Shrine and was active right up to his passing in Drill Corps, Ritualistic Unit, and 5-50 Unit. He also was in charge of the twice a month Bingo that the WaWa Drill Corps worked for Charity.

In 2001 Ron and Muriel joined the John McNamee Masonic Tour to the U.K. and toured many Masonic Places including Grand Lodge in London, England. Ron found it a very informative and enjoyable holiday.

Ron loved all sports and curled in morning and evening leagues, bowled for nine years in mixed bowling leagues, and loved dancing. Ron actually learned to dance through a dance studio. Family was very important to Ron and he very seldom missed the yearly Family Reunion.

Ron was a loving Husband and Father, a doting Grandfather, a good Friend and devoted Mason. A life well lived.

ILL. BRO. ROBERT MAXWELL **JOLLIMORE**, 33°

It is with deep sorrow that the family of Robert M. Jollimore, of Spryfield, announces his passing on November 21, 2016, in Camp Hill Veterans' Memorial Building, QEII. He was a beloved husband, wonderful father and grandfather, and was a dedicated servant to his country, his faith and his community.

Bob was born in Halifax. He loved to tell stories of growing up in downtown Halifax and his many adventures with his brother and cousins. He spent a lot of time in Terence Bay as well, and some of his fondest memories are of summers spent at Big Cove Camp as a "cookie."

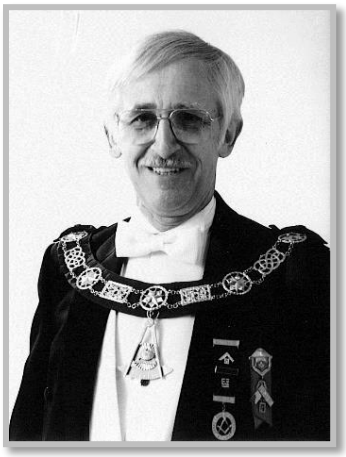
He joined the Canadian military at the age of 19 and did his basic training at CFB Borden. He took the train from Montréal to Seattle, Wash. where he boarded a U.S. troop ship to Korea. After the armistice he served in Montréal with World War One Veterans and was one of the first X-Ray Technicians stationed at CFB Carp, living for a year in the Diefenbunker. Later he was stationed in Germany, where he met the love of his life, Alecta, and they were married for 49 years. Still working in X-ray, he finished his military career as Warrant Officer at CFB Stadacona in 1983, and took a position at the Grace Maternity/I.W.K. Children's Hospital. He retired permanently in 1998, and his service to his church and community became his new full-time labour of love.

Bob spent much of his life in service to the Masonic brotherhood, beginning as a Mason in Soest, Germany (Beaver Lodge 885) in January 1967. On his return to Canada, he joined the Lodge of St. Mark 38, named Master in 1982 and Grand Chaplain of the Lodge of Nova Scotia. He was a member of Executive, Freemason's Hall Ltd. In 1983 he was inducted into the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, and served as Thrice Puissant Grand Master, 32nd degree. He was very proud to achieve his 33rd Degree as a member of Supreme Council in 2005, and to be part of the Royal Order of Scotland. He was a member of the Philae Temple of Shriners, Halifax Shrine Club, and part of the Directors Staff.

He enjoyed his faith family at Emmanuel Anglican Church in Spryfield, spending many years on Church Council and serving as Warden of the church, sidesperson and on numerous church committees. His love of hymns and carols was evident in his enthusiastic singing from the congregation. He was an avid bowler for many years in several bowling leagues in Spryfield, and volunteered his time as the Chairman of Group Committee of the 1st Spryfield Scout Troop for many years.

Bob's greatest joy was his family. He enjoyed vacationing across Canada and New England with them every summer, and camping at the Plantation in the Annapolis Valley. Every fall, there would be an apple picking trip, and he always flew the Canadian flag in his yard. He is survived by his loving wife, Alecta (Smith); son, Peter (Shirley), Hatchet Lake; and daughter, Leann (Leslie), Stillwater Lake; his brother, Gary, Hatchet Lake; and sister, Karen (Tom) Welsh, Timberlea; five grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents, Maxwell and Daisy (Slaunwhite); sisters, Connie, Judy, Sandra, Gloria, Nina and June (in infancy). He was a generous and loving grandfather to Allison, Rob, Lauren, Lara, and Kate, and enjoyed nothing more than teaching them the Jollimore Chant "We are the Jollimores!", "Sweet Molly Malone", and "Mares Eat Oats". He got a great kick out of listening to them recite their heritage at every family gathering! He loved family dinners, especially at Swiss Chalet, and his broad, bright smile and laugh will be missed by all who knew him. Bob loved a good story, and enjoyed his time hunting with his brother and son in South Branch, around Reid Station Road. He enjoyed catching up with the Boutiliers, Conrads and others each November. Bob will be sorely missed.

ILL. BRO. ROBERT EUGENE **JUTHNER**, 33°



Robert Eugene Juthner was born March 4th, 1923 in Warnsdorf, Czechoslovakia. He married Erika on July 22nd, 1950 and they have one son, two daughters, eleven grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren. During WWII Robert served five years as cavalry officer and remained in the army an additional three years before receiving his Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Education from the University of Alberta. He worked with Alberta Surveyors and Town Planners and twenty-four years as Senior Instructor Engineering Design and Drafting Technology at N.A.I.T.

Robert was very active in many areas of the community. He served as Elder and Member of the Worship Committee of Trinity United Church, Edmonton; Knight of Grace and Member of the Order of Merit of the Military and Hospitaller Order of St. Lazarus of Jerusalem; Knight of Grace and Priory Officer of the Hospitaller Order of St. John of Jerusalem, Knights Hospitaller; Past Chairman of Continuing Education Committee and Life Member of A.S.E.T.

His Masonic career began when he was initiated in Kette Lodge No. 430, United Grand Lodges of Germany April 26th, 1954. After moving to Canada, he affiliated with Commercial Lodge No. 81, Edmonton in 1959. Robert served as W.M. of Commercial Lodge in 1973, D.D.G.M. of District No. 20

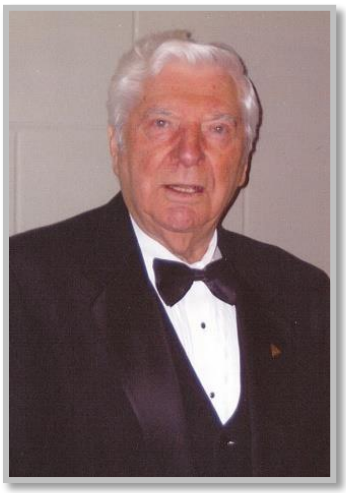
in 1977-78, and Member of the Board of General Purposes from 1978-82. He was a Charter Member of Fiat Lux Lodge of Research No. 1980 and served as W.M. in 1981-82. Robert was elected J.G.W. of the Grand Lodge of Alberta in 1984 and after proceeding through the offices of G.S.W. and D.G.M. he served as Grand Master in 1987-88.

M.W. Bro. Juthner was Honorary P.S.G.W. of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Honorary D.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Idaho, Honorary P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan and an Honorary P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Montana. He was an honorary Life Member of Harmony Lodge No. 75 and of Redwood Lodge no. 193.

In Scottish Rite, Robert was Most Wise Sovereign, Mizpah Chapter Rose Croix A. & A.S.R. and Commander-in-Chief of the Alberta Consistory. He was coroneted an Honorary Inspector General 33°, Supreme Council for Canada in 1984. In the York Rite Robert served as First Principal, North Star Chapter No. 2 in 1987, was a member of Zohar Council No. 4, Royal and Select Masters, member of the Alberta Lodge No. 2 Royal Ark Mariners, member of Al Azhar Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S., Calgary, Charter Member of Al Shamal Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S., Edmonton, and Grand Lecturer R.A.M. of Alberta, 1988.

Robert will be sorely missed by all who knew him.

ILL. BRO. ARVID **KAUTZ**, 33°



Ill. Bro. Arvid Kautz, beloved brother of Vancouver Valley, passed to the Grand Lodge above on 18th November, 2016.

Ill. Bro. Arvid was born in 14th April, 1921 in Heimtlal, Ukraine. He immigrated to Canada in 1928. Ill. Bro. Arvid joined the Army in 1942 and was sent overseas completing his work in the Army in 1946. Ill. Bro. Arvid was by profession a Master Mariner and Marine Superintendent. His whole life was around boats and the water. He worked for the Port of Vancouver for thirty-three years and retired in 1981. In his occupation as Marine Superintendent he held a special position of assisting the R.C.M.P, in the Vancouver Port. Ill. Bro. Arvid married Doris Bush in 1942 before he was commissioned overseas during the war; together the raised two children, Sherry and Stephen, and daughter-in-law Sue. Both Doris and his son, Stephen passed away from cancer. Sherry and daughter-in-law, Sue, as well as his granddaughter, Natalya, became more of a part of his life. His losses were hard time for Arvid, and being the man that he was, Arvid laboured hard to continue in a positive manner, his support to his family, to his community, and his fraternity.

Masonically, his life has been filled with the fraternity in many ways. He was initiated, passed and raised in Commonwealth Lodge No. 156 in 1957. He served as Master of his lodge in 1967 and in 1994. Grand Lodge appointed him as District Deputy Grand Master for District 26 (Vancouver) in 1998. He affiliated with Burnaby Lodge No. 150, and was made an Honourary Life member for his services as the lodge's Chaplain. He also affiliated with Meridian Lodge No. 108 and Dimasalang Lodge #196. For many years he was a volunteer driver for the Cancer Cars in Vancouver. He was exalted in the Royal Arch in May 1996. He was Past President of the Shrine Greeters Unit and of the Ritual Unit, and a member of the Legion of Honour.

Ill. Bro. Arvid received his 4 ° in February 1993, and his 32 ° on October 1994. He was installed as Commander-in-Chief of the BC Consistory in December 2002. It was in Scottish Rite that he became more active with many roles taken in the degrees, his memorization being his forte. He worked in the

make-up and costume department preparing for the conferring of degrees in all the Scottish Rite bodies.

In September 2008, Ill. Bro. Arvid was coroneted as Honourary Inspector General by Ill. Bro. C. Robert Townsend in Vancouver. He took the installation as an HIG seriously as his attendance and strong support of Scottish Rite in Vancouver will attest. At 95 years old, Ill. Bro. Arvid continuously showed dedication in his love of the craft and all the bodies that he belonged to. He thought and often spoke about slowing down, but it never happened.

Success means having the courage, the determination, and the will to become the person you believe you were meant to be.
George Sheehan

His success as an active member of the Vancouver Valley was due to his love of the work, and his determination to do the best he could. The Valley will be the more for the work he did, and the less for having to say goodbye to a dear friend.

ILL. BRO. LAWRENCE REID **KELLY**, 33°

Lawrence "Larry" R. Kelly 85, of Indian Mountain, passed away at the Moncton Hospital on Tuesday November 22, 2016. Born in Moncton, he was the son of the late Reid and Grace (Horseman) Kelly.

Larry was initiated in Defenders Lodge in Ottawa in February 1979. Received his Scottish Rite degrees in Ottawa in 1985 and the Royal Order of Scotland in Saint John N.B. in October 2007. He was a Past T.P.G.M. Valley of Moncton from 2006 until 2009 and was a Past M.W.S. Valley of Moncton. Ill Bro. Larry was a Worshipful Master of Defenders Lodge in Ottawa in 1983 and 1984. He was also a Tunis Temple Ambassador to Luxor Temple Shriners in Saint John N.B. He was a member of Acacia Lodge #49 in Moncton member and Worthy Patron of Frank H. Tingley #5 Order of the Eastern Star and member of Fidelity Chapter #36 Order of the Eastern Star in Riverview. Larry was a member of St. Philips Anglican Church in Moncton

In his business career he was with the T. Eaton Company from 1948 to 1952, R.C.A.F. from 1952 to 1972 and R.C.M.P. 1972 to 1986

Special Recognitions, Awards and Honours Canadian Decoration C.D., NATO Special Service Award SSM and 25 year Public Service Pin.

Larry will be sadly missed by his daughters, Teresa (Tessie) Pike of Louisdale N.S. Donna Laurin (Bryan) of Hammonds Plains, N.S. and Gail Linden (Terry) of Sydney N.S. In addition to his wife Beatrice (2004) he was predeceased by his parents.

ILL. BRO. ROBERT DANIEL **LAMONT**, 33°

On October 19, 2016, Bob Lamont passed away peacefully at the age of 90. Bob is survived by his wife of 66 years, Hazel; sons, Rich (Michele) Lamont and Gary (Carol) Lamont; daughter, Laurie (Ned) Lorincz; eight grandchildren, Jeff (Bronwyn), Kailey, Jessica, Peter, Bobby, Ashley, Emily and Danny; cousin, Jean; nieces, Joanne and Marilyn; nephews, Greg and Brock; great-nephew, John, great- niece, Dana; and great-great nephew Jack. Bob was predeceased by his brothers Don and Jack and his nephew Daniel.

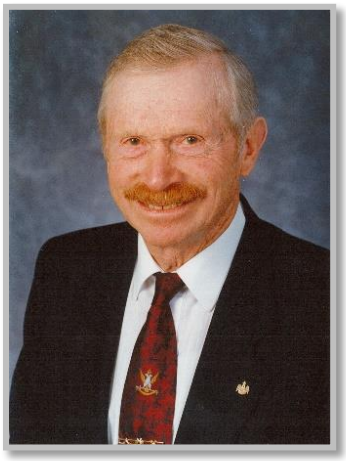
Bob served in the Royal Canadian Navy in World War II, volunteering at the age of 17 years. Bob was a long term member of the Jasper Place Legion #255.

Bob was a 68 year member of the IBEW Local 424, including being the business agent for 6 years.

He was initiated into West Edmonton Lodge #101 G.R.A. in March of 1960 which began a long and proud association with Freemasonry. Bob joined the Scottish Rite Valley of Edmonton in March of 1963 and received his 32° in October of 1964. He received the Royal Order of Scotland in 1999 and was coroneted an Honorary Inspector-General 33° in September 2004. He was also a member of Al Shamal Shriners and served as a member of the Legion of Honour.

A Memorial Service was held on Saturday, October 29, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. at Trinity United Church, Edmonton.

ILL. BRO. NORMAN LEWIS **LANSDELL**, 33°



Ill. Bro. Norman Lewis Lansdell 33° passed away at Alexandra Hospital, Ingersoll, Ontario on Sunday, December 11, 2016 in his 101st year following a brief illness.

Ill. Bro. Lansdell was born January 6, 1916 in London Township where he became skilled in both farming and blacksmithing. Most of his life was spent farming in the Thamesford area.

After World War II broke out, he joined the 1st Army Field Workshop in 1940 and served overseas. On his return to Canada in 1944 he spent time at the Military College in Brockville and the following year he again served overseas. After his discharge in 1945 with the rank of Lieutenant, he was placed on supplementary reserve until 1971.

In his community he was President of both the Oxford County Soil and Crop Improvement Association and the Oxford County Cattlemen's Association. In the late 1940's he coached both men's hockey and baseball teams.

In 1987 Ill. Bro. Lansdell was recognized for 35 years of service as Church Warden at St. John's Anglican Church, Thamesford, Ontario where he and Mary were very active members.

In craft masonry, our brother was initiated in Nilestown Lodge No. 345 G.R.C. on March 11, 1947 and served as Worshipful Master in 1959. Ill. Bro. Lansdell also served as the Lodge Historian, writing the Lodge's history for the period 1876 to 2001. He was also a director of the Nilestown Masonic Memorial Park, President of the Nilestown Masonic Temple Association and "coordinator" of the

Temple Association's annual chicken barbeque. Leading by example, until recent years, he could often be found at the top of a ladder making repairs to the eaves and soffits of the building.

He was elected District Deputy Grand Master of the London East District in 1969, an office which he filled with distinction.

He was also a member of Centennial Lodge No. 684 and a Charter Member of London Daylight Lodge No. 735.

He was initiated in the London Lodge of Perfection on November 21, 1980, the London Sovereign Chapter of Rose Croix on October 17, 1981 and Moore Sovereign Consistory on November 7, 1981. He served as Most Wise Sovereign of the London Sovereign Chapter of Rose Croix in 1988.

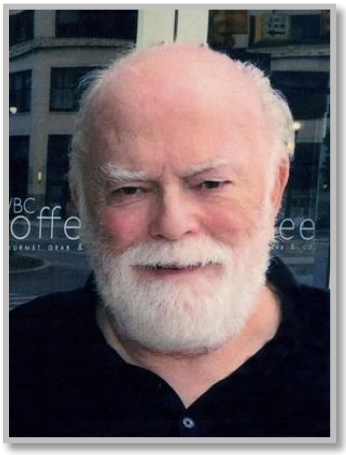
His knowledge of the ritual in both craft masonry and the Scottish Rite was unparalleled and in 2016 he could still be called upon to fill in at short notice and take significant parts in the Rose Croix Installation and Maundy Thursday ceremonies, craft lodge degrees and Shrine Ceremonials.

Ill. Bro. Lansdell was coroneted Honorary Inspector-General 33° on September 14, 1995 in Kingston, Ontario.

He was a member of Mocha Temple A.A.O.N.M.S. and was active in the Alumni Unit as well as taking a leading role in the Ceremonial Cast.

Ill. Bro. Lansdell was predeceased by his wife of 63 years, the former Mary Parkes (2005). Loving father to Susan Allan (John), Nancy Kernighan (Mark), John Lansdell (Jan), and Pete Lansdell (Joanne). Cherished grandfather to Jennifer, Chris, Meredith, Tyler (Rachel), Mallory, Jacklyn (Nate), Chad, Amanda (Bernie), Kate, Nicole, Shelby, Cole and Wyatt. Great-grandfather to Audrey, Callahan and Eleanor.

ILL. BRO. KENNEY LOUIS **LENFESTEY**, 33°



The Valley of Windsor was saddened by the sudden passing of Ill. Bro. Kenney Lenfesty, of Detroit Valley A.A.S.R., Northern Masonic Jurisdiction U.S.A.; and an Honourary Member of Windsor Valley A.A.S.R. on April 7, 2017.

Ill. Bro. Lenfestey was born in Detroit, Michigan on March 26, 1942 and after his early education there; worked in the automotive industry. Kenny was married to Linda Kipley, and they had two sons: Adam and Scott.

Ill. Bro. Lenfestey was initiated in Fraternity Lodge No. 583, Ann Arbor, Michigan in 1977; and was Worshipful Master in 1984. He Affiliated with Brighton Lodge 247 in Brighton, Michigan where he was active in Craft Masonry, Scottish Rite, Detroit Valley, and York Rite Masonry.

He joined the Royal and Select Masons of Michigan, and was Most Illustrious Grand Master in 2005. He was also the Puissant Sovereign of St. Clement Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine in 2005.

He was a member of the Royal Order of Scotland.

He was Coroneted an H.I.G. 33 A.A.S.R., Northern Jurisdiction.

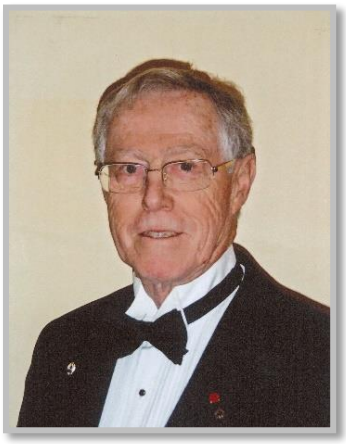
Kenney served in the U.S. Army, and was a proud Veteran; volunteering his time in support of the Wounded Warriors of America.

Ill. Bro. Lenfestey was a regular attendee at the Windsor Valley Reunions; contributing a Prologue to the 18th Degree; which was presented with dignity and solemnity.

A Masonic Memorial Service was presented on April 10, 2017 at MacDonald Funeral Home in Howell, Michigan. On April 11, 2017 the funeral service was held at the Funeral Home; with the Interment following

We extend our sincere sympathy to his family. He will be missed by his many Windsor Valley Brethren and friends. We give thanks for the privilege of knowing and remembering this active and distinguished Mason.

ILL. BRO. ELROY JOHN **MACKINNON**, 33°



Ill. Bro. Elroy John MacKinnon passed away on October 31, 2016, at age 78. Elroy was born in Massey, Ontario, on March 6, 1938 and grew up in Paisley, Ontario. He is survived by his wife Margo for 51 years, children Jennifer (Chris) and Kenzia (Bret) and enthusiastic grandfather to Callum and Talia and their extended family.

In 1959 Elroy embarked on a career in elementary education, his first role being a teacher in a rural one room school near Burks Falls with 19 pupils from Grade 1 to Grade 8. He joined the Scarborough Board of Education in 1962 from which he retired in 1997. Elroy was seconded to teach in Germany at CFB Baden-Soellingen from 1979-1982.

Freemasonry was an important part of Elroy's life. His Masonic journey began when he was initiated into Doric Lodge No. 424 G.R.C. in 1991. He was passed in 1992 and raised in 1993. He served as Worshipful Master, Doric Lodge in 2000. He is a member of Heritage Lodge No. 730 G.R.C. and has also served as the Worshipful Master Friendship Lodge No. 729 G.R.C. in 2010. In July 2007 he was elected District Deputy Grand Master Toronto East District. Elroy was involved with the MasoniCh.I.P. Ontario program as a Provincial Committee Member since 2008. Elroy was actively involved in the Grand Lodge Officers Association of the Toronto and York Districts, serving as Secretary/Treasurer and President

Ill. Bro. Mackinnon joined the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Toronto Grand Lodge of Perfection in 2003; the Toronto Sovereign Chapter Rose Croix 2004; and Moore Sovereign Consistory 2004. Elroy was part of the Membership Committee as the Toronto East District Representative and the Master Mason Night planning Committee since 2010. In September 17, 2015 he was coroneted an Honorary Inspector General in Windsor, Ontario at the 141st Annual Session of Supreme Council.

Elroy was an upright and honourable man dedicated to serving others and will be missed.

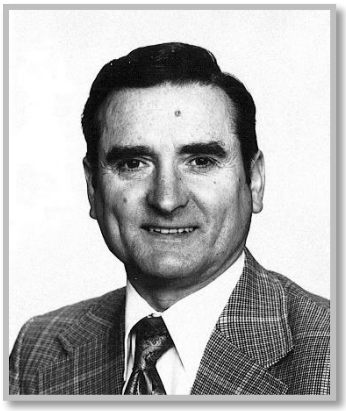
ILL. BRO. GEORGE ALEXANDER **MARR**, 33°

Ill. Bro. George "Sandy" Marr passed away on his 91st birthday, June 18th, 2017 at Extendicare Maple View in Sault Ste. Marie. Loving husband of Muriel (nee Hutchings) and father of Allison. Predeceased by his parents Margaret and George Marr and his brother Gordon (Jean). Survived by his brother Ian (late Eleanor). Sandy and Muriel moved to Sault Ste. Marie after getting married in 1958. Following graduation from the Ontario College of Pharmacy in 1950, he worked in retail pharmacy and spent two and a half years as a sales representative for a pharmaceutical manufacturer. He assumed the position of Chief Pharmacist at the Plummer Memorial Hospital until retiring in 1986. In his free time Sandy enjoyed many hobbies and interests including woodworking, golfing, curling, hunting, and in his younger years flying small aircraft. Sandy's woodworking expertise enabled him to create gavels and a beautiful chest with drawers containing the Working Tools for Algoma Lodge's 100th Anniversary in 1984. Sandy also enjoyed playing cribbage with his friends Ill. Brothers William J.L. Weeks, 33° and Robert Schroeder, 32° to whom he taught the techniques of winning. These two brethren delivered eulogies at the memorial service held just after a Masonic service on June 22nd, 2017.

Born June 18th 1926 in Grimsby Ont., Ill. Bro. Marr, 33° began his Masonic journey when he was initiated on January 25th 1957, passed on February 22nd 1957, and raised on May 17th, 1957 in North Bay Lodge No. 617. He affiliated with Algoma Lodge No. 469 in Sault Ste. Marie Ont. on September 21st, 1959. He was installed as Master of Algoma Lodge No. 469 on January 24th, 1966. He served as District Secretary in 1974, and was appointed a Grand Stewart of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario in July 1975. He was elected District Deputy Grand Master of Algoma East District in July 1986 and was the recipient of the Grand Master's Award in July 2008.

Ill. Bro. Marr's Scottish Rite Masonic journey began with the Sault Ste. Marie Lodge of Perfection when he received the 4th degree on January 21st, 1959, and ultimately the 14th degree on April 29th, 1959. He was installed as Thrice Puissant Grand Master in 1989. He received the 15th and 18th degrees on October 24th 1959 and was installed as Most Wise Sovereign, Sault Ste. Marie Chapter of Rose Croix in 1977. He received the 32nd degree from Moore Sovereign Consistory in Hamilton on May 11th, 1963. Ill. Bro. Marr was coroneted an Honorary Inspector General of the 33rd degree at Supreme Council Sessions in Winnipeg Manitoba on September 11th, 1980. He received the Royal Order of Scotland in 2010.

ILL. BRO. PETER WALKER WATT **MCGREGOR**, 33°



"There are no words to express the greatness of a man" and so began the eulogy of Ill. Bro. Watt McGregor 33° by his son-in-law, Mr. Riley Tate. And truly the fraternity of Vancouver and stretching wide to encompass the Province, mourn the loss of a wonderful man and Mason.

Ill. Bro Watt was born in Glasgow, Scotland on 30th August 1925. He was the second son of five children born to George and Jessie McGregor owners of a dairy and a shop which sold dairy products, the first place where Watt learned about service, - customer service. His work here, shaped his character for the rest of his life. His early schooling was in Glasgow and later in Shettleston.

The war interrupted his education for in 1942, he joined the Merchant Marines. His ship was sunk in southern Atlantic and he was taken prisoner by the Japanese and remained in a POW camp until the end of the war. These events had a lasting effect on Watt and added to his demeanour to be grateful for the gifts we enjoy now. Following training by His Majesty's Forces, he served in Germany for two years. He received an honourable discharge in December 1947 with the rank of Lance Corporal.

Upon his return to Glasgow he continued his apprenticeship. He completed an Aircraft Electrical apprenticeship between 1942 and 1949, attending at the Royal Technical College in Glasgow from 1949 to 1950.

In Glasgow he was ordained an elder in the Carntyne St. Michael's Presbyterian Church in 1951 and served as their representative to the Presbytery in 1953.

He married A. Nancy Ross Stuart (nee Buchanan) in September, 1951 and settled into family life in Scotland. He worked as a Telephone Engineer initially. It was the expense of housing in Glasgow that prompted Watt to immigrate to Canada, specifically to Vancouver, travelling across on the Queen Mary to New York and across country finally arriving on the West Coast.

After several jobs in Vancouver, Watt joined CP Airlines in 1955 at which he worked until his retirement in1985. Initially he worked as an electrical mechanic until 1958 and then as a Quality Control Technician until 1967. It was then that he became a technical instructor to flight crews and mechanics on aircraft systems. He later traveled the world instructing crews for other airlines, a career he loved.

Nancy and he had three children, Elaine, Kenneth and Sandra, which in time gave them both an extended family of grandchildren and great grandchildren.

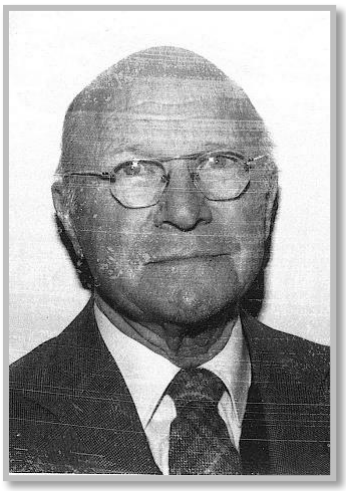
Ill. Bro. Watt lost both his wife and younger daughter within a year and such news was devastation for him. He used his winter home in Arizona as much from the respite of Canadian winters as a time to heal.

Bro. Watt was initiated, passed and raised in Cascade Lodge No. 12, Vancouver, in 1955-1956. He served as Master in 1967, and as District Deputy Grand Master in 1975-1976. He served on the Grand Lodge Committee on Education and Research between 1979 and 1983. He joined Scottish Rite in Vancouver Valley on 29th September receiving his 4th degree. He received his 14th degree in January 1973, 18th degree in April 1973, and his 32nd degree in October 1973. Ill. Bro. Watt was coroneted an Honorary Inspector-General in September 1980 in Winnipeg. He served as Most Wise Sovereign for the Vancouver Chapter of Rose Croix from 1977 to 1979. For over 20 years following, Ill. Bro. Watt was the MWS in the ceremonies of extinguishing and relighting of the lights. For many Sovereign Princes, his work was the highlight of the Easter Ceremonies. He was received into the Royal Order of Scotland on 13th November, 1976, serving as Substitute Provincial Grand Master from 2010 to 2015.

Services were held at Ladner United Church on 22nd February with many brethren attending to support his family and show respect for a brother of profound integrity. He showed much love, and devotion to his family and that extended to his masonic family too.

An honest man here lies at rest,
As ever God with His image blest;
The friend of man, the friend of truth;
The friend of age, and guide of youth:
Few hearts like his, with virtue warmed,
Few heads with knowledge so informed:
If there's another world, he lives in bliss;
If there is none, he made the best if this.
Robert Burns.

ILL. BRO. BERTIE ALLAN **MENNIE**, 33°



Bert Allan Mennie was born on March 7th, 1916 at Clarence, County of Russell, in the Province of Ontario, in the Ottawa Valley.

In July of 1943, following extensive education, he married Thelma Joyce, and together they raised four sons, three daughters and were grandparents to six grandchildren. Bert was clerk of the Session and Elder in Calvary United Church, Windsor, Ontario, for eight years and Superintendent of the Sunday school, for eight years. He was also elder of Central United Church in Stratford, for twenty-five years, Clerk of the Session for eight years and a Member of the Official Board in all ears above in both churches.

Bert joined the Royal Canadian Navy and served for three and one-half years Engine Room Artificer – 4th Class, Warrant Officer (Special Branch) in the Mechanical Training Establishment, Esquimalt, B.C., as well as a Commissioned Officer.

Bert received a B.A. from the University of Western Ontario in 1950, a Masters of Education at Wayne State University in Detroit in 1953. He was Epsilon Pi Tau Industrial Education Honour Society Member in 1952, President, Alpha Omicron Chapter, Wayne State University, in 1954, and Laureate Member in l955.

Phi Delta Kappa, Education Honour Society, University of Toronto Chapter in 1973, Bert received a First Class Elementary School Teachers' Certificate in 1954, a High School Teachers' Certificate in 1950, an Industrial Arts Specialist's Certificate in 1947, an Elementary School Inspectors' Certificate in 1957 and an Industrial Arts Specialist's Certificate in 1947.

He held position of Vice-President – Ontario Teacher Education Association and then President in 1972 – 73.

He taught 2 ½ years of Elementary school, including industrial Arts, 1 year training and re-establishment, institute teaching, 9 years Secondary School, including industrial arts, 22 years teacher education in Stratford Teachers' College, Toronto, Teachers' College, Ontario Teacher Education College. He taught 1 semester at Wayne State University –off campus graduate course in London on Saturdays, and two winter night school years – English for New Canadians in Windsor, Ont.

As for a business career, Bert spent forty-one years teaching (including three and one-half Years R. C. Naval Service) and three years rural school, one room, all grades.

During all this time, Bert still had time to lead a very extensive Masonic Life. Bert joined Tecumseh Lodge No. 144 GRC in Stratford, Ont. and became Worshipful Master in 1968-69. Held the office of D.D.G.M. of South Huron District in 1966-1967. Bert joined Royal City Lodge of Perfection and held the office of T.P.G.M., received his 32^0 from Moore Consistory in Hamilton, and was coroneted 33^0 H.I.G. in September of 1966, in Charlottetown, P. E. I. All together he held over forty Masonic Offices, and as well had time to organize and conduct Masonic workshops.

Bert passed to the Grand Lodge above on September 25, 2016, and he will certainly be missed by Thelma Joyce, his family, and his various Masonic and Church groups where he was active.

ILL. BRO. ROBERT LYLE **MOSEY**, 33°

The Valley of Windsor was extremely saddened by the passing of Ill. Bro Lyle Mosey on May 5, 2017 at 91 years. He had been diagnosed recently with Prostate Cancer, and he declined quickly in Hospice. His sudden passing was a real shock to the Masonic District and the Valley of Windsor. Ill. Bro Mosey was dedicated, outgoing, and very active; and a regular member of Windsor Valley Scottish Rite. He was also involved in several Bodies of Masonry, and community activities in the Windsor- Essex County, Ontario area.

Ill. Bro. Mosey was born on December 10, 1925 in Leamington, Ontario; and lived his entire life in Essex County, finally residing in Windsor, Ontario. He received his early education in Leamington and area, and after High School; He worked at R.P. Scherer Pharmaceuticals, Windsor for 46 years retiring as Manager, Professional Services in 1988.

Lyle served in the Canadian Navy during World War 2 and was a proud Veteran.

Lyle married Frances Cross on September 1, 1945, and they celebrated over Seventy – one (71) years together. They have one daughter, Lynn; and four sons, Terry Gregory, Douglas and the late Bruce (deceased) Lyle was an active member of the United Church, and served on several committees and assisting where needed.

Ill. Bro. Mosey was actively involved in local municipal activities in Amherstburg, Ontario; and other community endeavours; and he was willing to assist and encourage as a Mentor for many Masons in the Windsor – Essex area.

Ill. Bro. Mosey was Initiated in Thistle Lodge No. 34 A.F. &. A.M. in Amherstburg, Ontario on May 11, 1957. He received the F.C. Degree and M.M. Degree in Thistle Lodge No. 34 in 1957. He was Worshipful Master in 1963; and District Deputy Grand Master, Windsor District in 1974. He was a member of Mocha Shriners, London, and Moramos Shrine Club, Windsor.

Ill. Bro. Mosey was also an Honorary Member of Trinity Lodge No. 521, Windsor; and Highland Park Lodge N0 468, Michigan for his active support of these Brethren. Lyle was also an active member of the Windsor District Past Masters and Officers Association for many years. He was also Secretary / Treasurer of the Windsor District Masonic Bureau for several years.

Lyle received the 14th degree on October 15, 1966; the 18th degree in Windsor Chapter of Rose Croix on May 23, 1967; and the 32nd degree in Moore Sovereign Consistory, Hamilton, Ontario on November 11, 1967. Ill Bro. Mosey was T.P.G.M of Windsor Lodge of Perfection in 1979 and following the sudden passing of the T.P.G.M again in 1980. He was a dedicated cast member, and Degree Director for several degrees.

In recognition of his many Masonic and community activities, Ill. Bro. Mosey was Coroneted an H.I.G. 33 in Edmonton, Alberta in 1984.

An excellent attendance of Brethren was present for the Masonic Memorial Service held on May 7, 2017 at Families First Funeral Home, Windsor. On May 8, 2016 the funeral service was held at the Funeral Home with Interment at Evergreen Cemetery, Leamington.

We extend our sincere sympathy to his family. He will be greatly missed, and we give thanks for the privilege afforded us in knowing and remembering this active and distinguished Mason.

ILL. BRO. JAMES MURRAY **NAPIER**, 33°

The Valley of Windsor was extremely saddened by the sudden passing of Ill. Bro James Napier on December 15, 2016. He had been on regular kidney dialysis for several years; and was in hospital; but his sudden passing was a real shock to the Masonic District and the Valley of Windsor. Ill. Bro Napier was dedicated, outgoing, and very active; and a regular member of Windsor Valley Scottish Rite, prior to his illness. He was also involved in several Bodies of Masonry, and community activities in the Windsor- Essex County, Ontario area.

Ill. Bro. Napier was born on February 27, 1929 in Scotland, and immigrated with his family to Canada settling in Windsor, Ontario. He received his early education in Windsor, and after Graduation from High School; He worked at Chrysler Corporation as an Apprentice Sheet Metal Worker; later moving to the Chrysler Engineering Centre in Detroit, Michigan, where he worked as an automotive prototype Technician until he retired in 1994 as a Supervisor.

Jim married Thelma Kirk on October 20, 1950; and they celebrated over sixty-six years together. They have four daughters, Laura, Kathleen, Barbara and Nancy. Jim was an active member of Lincoln Road United Church, and served on several committees and assisting where needed.

Ill. Bro. Napier was actively involved in several community endeavours; and he was willing to assist and encourage as a Mentor for many Masons in the Windsor – Essex area.

Ill. Bro. Napier was Initiated in Windsor Lodge No. 403 A.F. &. A.M. in Windsor, Ontario on October 9, 1953. He received the F.C. Degree and M.M. Degree in Windsor Lodge No. 403 in 1953. He was Worshipful Master in 1967; and District Deputy Grand Master, Windsor District in 1977. He was a member of Ark Chapter No .80; Royal Arch Masons; serving as 1st Principal in1975; and Grand Steward in 1979. He was a member and Past T.I.M. of Essex Council No.12 R. & S.M. and Grand Marshall; also a member and Preceptor of Windsor Preceptory No. 26. He was Sovereign of St. John Conclave No. 11. He was also a member of the Royal Order of Scotland.

He was a member Mocha Shriners, London, and of Moramos Shrine Club, Windsor. Jim was an active Drummer in several Scottish Pipe & Drum Bands

Jim was also an active member of the Windsor District Past Masters and Officers Association for many years, and served as President in 1972.

Jim joined the Detroit Lodge of Perfection A.A.S.R. and received the 14th degree on April 8, 1959; the 18th degree in Detroit Chapter of Rose Croix on April 10, 1959; and the 32nd degree in Detroit Consistory on April 17, 1959 .He Affiliated with Windsor Valley in 1961, and Moore Consistory in 1963. Ill. Bro. Napier was M.W.S Windsor Chapter of Rose Croix in 1973. He was a dedicated cast member in several degrees for many years. In recognition of his many Masonic and community activities Ill. Bro. Napier was Coroneted an H.I.G. 33 in Winnipeg, Manitoba in 1980. Jim was a founding member of the Board of Directors of the S.R.C.F. Windsor Learning Centre; and was active in obtaining volunteers for the Learning sessions.

An excellent attendance of Brethren was present for the Masonic Memorial Service held on December 18, 2016 at Families First Funeral Home, Windsor. On December 19, 2016 the funeral service was held at the Funeral Home with Interment at Victoria Memorial Cemetery.

We extend our sincere sympathy to his family. He will be greatly missed, and we give thanks for the privilege afforded us in knowing and remembering this active and distinguished Mason.

ILL. BRO. MILTON ALEXANDER **PALMER**, 33°

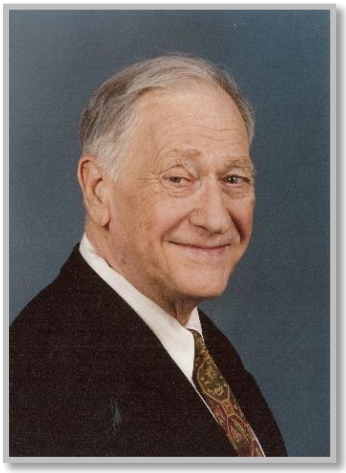
Ill Bro. Milton Alexander Palmer, 100, of Monarch Hall, Riverview And formerly of Lorentz Dr., and Alma St., Moncton passed away peacefully at the Moncton Hospital on Friday February 3, 2017. Born in Freeland P.E.I. he was the son of the late George P. and Dora (Coughlin) Palmer. He was predeceased by his wife Lena and Son David.

Ill Bro. Palmer was initiated into Zetland Lodge #7 Alberton Prince Edward Island on July 14, 1938 & was raised in the same Lodge on March 13, 1930. Received his 14th degree at Victoria Lodge of Perfection in Halifax Nova Scotia on October 27, 1961, received his 18th degree at Harrington Chapter Rose Croix in Saint John N.B. on April 11, 1963 and his 32nd degree at N.B. Sovereign Consistory in Saint John N.B. on November 26, 1964. Received the Royal Order of Scotland n Saint John N.B. on November 4, 1970 and was Coroneted Honorary Inspector General in Winnipeg Manitoba on September 11, 1980.

Ill Bro Palmer was Most Wise Sovereign Britton Chapter Rose Croix in Moncton N.B. 1976-1978. He was an affiliated member of Keith Lodge #23, Moncton N.B. and a member of Frank H. Tingley Chapter #5 Order of the Eastern Star, Moncton N.B.

Ill Bro. Palmer retired from The Bank of Nova Scotia in January 1977 after 42 years of service.

ILL. BRO. CHARLES HENRY MORTON **REID**, 33°



Ill. Bro. Charles H. M. Reid passed away on March 19, 2017. He was born on May 12, 1936 and was raised and educated in Toronto. Charlie was a professional football player in the fifties, playing in Hamilton and Edmonton and retired when his knees could not take it anymore. In business, Charlie was a longtime employee of Canada Packers for over 31 years. Ill. Bro. Reid served on the Board of Directors of Runnymede Chronic Care Hospital from 1996 - 2007.

Charlie was married to the late Betty Reid for 60 years and they had six children, fourteen grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

Ill. Bro. Reid was initiated into Temple Lodge No. 525 G.R.C. on June 12, 1958, passed on November 3, 1958 and raised on April 9, 1959. He served as Worshipful Master of Temple Lodge three times in 1968, 1978, 1984 and 1990. Charlie became a member of Kilwinning Lodge No. 565 G.R.C. through amalgamation and served as Master in 1998 and 1999 before affiliating with Runnymede lodge No. 619 G.R.C. and serving as Worshipful Master in 2002. Ill. Bro. Reid served as D.D.G.M. of Toronto District No. 1 in 1986.87. Charlie was also a Charter Member of Chinguacousy Lodge No. 738:G.R.C. He affiliated with Heritage Lodge No. 730 G.R.C. on November 18, 1998 and served as Worshipful Master of Heritage Lodge being installed on November 17, 2012.

Ill. Bro. Reid served as an appointed and elected member of the Board of General Purposes of Grand Lodge from 2003-2017 and has served as Grand Lodge as the Chairman of a number of Committees including the Officer Progression Committee and the Library, Museum and Archives Committee.

Charlie joined the A. &.A.S.R. of Freemasonry of Canada receiving his 4th degree in the Toronto Grand Lodge of Perfection and his 14th degree on January 9, 1961. He received the 18th degree in the Toronto Sovereign Chapter Rose Croix on March 30, 1961, and the 32nd degree in Moore

Consistory, Hamilton on May 11, 1962. Ill. Bro. Reid served as a member of the Valley Membership Committee from 2001 to 2015. Charlie was coroneted an Honorary Inspector General at the Vancouver Session in September 2008.

Ill. Bro. Reid was also a Royal Arch Mason and a member of Rameses Shriners.

We sorrow his loss and cherish his memory in our hearts.

ILL. BRO. EDWARD STERLING **SHERRARD**, 33°

Ill Bro. Edward Sterling Sherrard of Moncton N.B. passed away on Sept. 28, 2015. Ed was born in Whitney, Northumberland County N.B. Married to the late Shirley Amelia Steeves. They have two sons, David Edward and Robert Gordon.

Ill Bro. Ed was a Past Master of Keith Lodge #23, Moncton. Past DDGM of the Grand Lodge of N.B., Charter member of the Moncton Lodge of Perfection. Charter member and First Most Wise Sovereign, Britton Chapter Rose Croix Member NB Sovereign Consistory, Saint John N.B. Member of Luxor Temple Shriners and the Moncton Shrine Club. Being heavily involved with the youth he was an Honorary Legion of Honour International Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay and Served on Coronation Chapter Order of DeMolay as Advisor during the years of the Chapter. He was also a member of the Royal Order of Scotland.

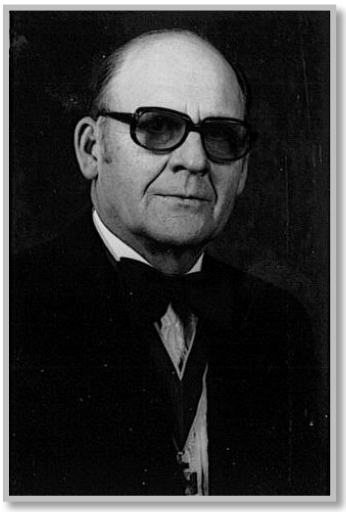
Ill Bro. Sherrard was an active member of Saint Johns United Church, Moncton N.B. and served on the Board of Stewards, an Elder and Member of the Session.

Over the years Ed was employed by: N.B. Telephone, G.M. products of Canada, Steeves Motors Ltd., Sherrard Motors Ltd., and City Chrysler, Plymouth.

Ed will be sadly remembered by his Sons David and Robert and his Masonic Family.

May the souls of the faithful departed through the Mercy of God rest in peace and light perpetual shine upon them.

ILL. BRO. PETER JOHN **SHERSTOBITOFF**, 33°



The Valley of Saskatoon lost one of its greatest assets and Masonic promotors with the passing of Peter John Sherstobitoff 33° on December 16th, 2016. Born March 23rd, 1923. Peter was the husband of his loving wife Luella for over 71 years. They had three sons, Gary (32°) (Rickea), Randall (33°) (Becky) and Lynn (33°).

Peter was a constant advocate of Scottish Rite and the Masonic Order throughout his lifetime. This is evident by having his three sons and two Grand Sons join the Masonic Order and continue through Scottish Rite, the Shrine and even into the offices of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan. Second son Randall (Randy), will be installed as The Most Worshipful the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan in June of 2017. Third son Lynn is a Past District Deputy of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan. Peter's funeral service included the Masonic Rite Funeral Service conducted by his three Sons, two Grand Sons and a close Masonic friend who did an outstanding job of the Work.

Peter was a member of Knox United Church in Langham. A Master Mason in Ishpamine Lodge #43, Langham for over 50 years. He served as Master in 1964 and 1982 and elected Secretary Treasurer in 1984 where he served for many years. Peter served as Commander in Chief for the Valley of Saskatoon Consistory in 1986 and 1987. He was also a member of several Concordant Bodies. Peter retired after a 35-year career with Saskatchewan Power Corporation.

Peter could be called upon to take part in almost every Degree or Lodge office and was always word perfect in any part he was asked to perform. He will be sadly missed by the Saskatchewan Masonic Fraternity and all who came in contact with him.

ILL. BRO. THOMAS WALTER **SIDEBOTTOM**, 33°

The Valley of Winnipeg was saddened by the passing of Ill. Bro. Thomas Sidebottom, 33°, on November 26, 2016.

Tom was predeceased by his Brother George who fell in WWII, his Father George and his Mother Winnifred. He leaves behind Wife Arla (nee Button), Daughter Kathy & husband Kevin McCaw, Son Thomas George & wife Jenia, Daughter Diane & husband Cliff Roulston, and the apples of his eye: grandchildren Angela Pittman and husband Mike, Leanne Florence and husband Mike, Dana Sidebottom and Bryant and Anthea Roulston, and his great grandchildren Carter and Brooklyn Pittman.

Tom was born on July 28, 1929 in St. Boniface Hospital. A lifelong resident of St. Vital, he enjoyed his St. Vital Breakfast Club and the many friends he had from all aspects of his life most recently from Vic Wyatt House. He was always quick with a quip and a joke and was always willing to lend an ear and a hand. He was a raconteur of note and loved to spin yarns and tell tales of the adventures he had throughout his life.

Tom had a multitude of occupations most notably Real Estate and Property Development, and was thrilled to have a street named after him in St. Vital. He was a lifelong member of the United Church (most recently Meadowood United), and the Rotary Club.

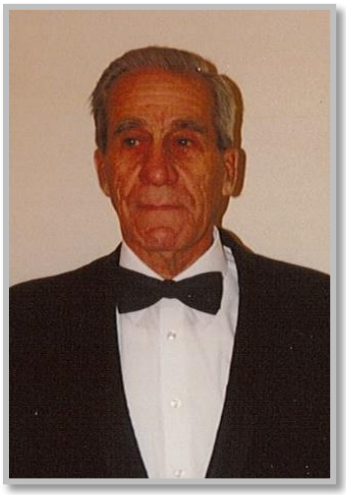
Tom joined Three Pillars Lodge No. 169, GRM, being initiated on March 15, 1960. He was passed on May 17, 1960 and raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason on September 6, 1960. He served as Worshipful Master of Three Pillars Lodge in 1972, was Junior Grand Deacon in 1980-81, was a member of the Board of General Purposes from 1986-1998 and an Honourary Member of the Board from 1998 – 2016.

Tom received his 4th degree on April 4, 1964 in the Valley of Winnipeg, his 14th degree on April 24, 1964, his 18th degree on March 25, 1965 and his 32nd degree on March 11, 1966. He serves as Thrice Puissant Grand Master of the Winnipeg Lodge of Perfection in 1980.

Tom was coroneted an Honorary Inspector General on September 15, 1983 in Toronto, Ontario.

Tom was Potentate of Khartum Temple in 1985.

ILL. BRO. CHARLES RUSSELL **TENNANT**, 33°



The Valley of Winnipeg was saddened by the passing of Ill. Bro. Russ Tennant, 33°, on April 3, 2017 at the age of 95.

Russ was predeceased by his beloved wife Kay, who passed on March 22, 2016. He will be deeply missed and forever cherished by his children Barrie (Jan), Dawn (Brian) and grandchildren Jenna (Chris), Christian and Brendan Pittman.

Russ was born on May 5, 1921 in Russel, Manitoba. He loved to tell stories, and he loved to laugh. Russ doted on his grandchildren, and spent as much time at his cottage as possible.

Early in his marriage, Russ worked in a number of areas, before becoming a long-time employee of the Manitoba Telephone System. After retirement, he had a second career as caretaker at the old Shrine House at 529 Wellington.

Russ joined Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3, GRM, being initiated on January 23, 1961. He was passed on February 27, 1961 and raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason on March 27, 1961. He served as Worshipful Master of Ancient Landmark in 1970, and was Senior Grand Steward in 1989-90.

Russ received his 4th degree on November 18, 1971 in the Valley of Winnipeg, his 14th degree on January 20, 1972, his 18th degree on March 16, 1972 and his 32nd degree on April 29, 1972. He dedicated himself to the thankless behind-the-scenes task of managing the degree paraphernalia for many years, and was awarded the Valley of Winnipeg's Walter C. McDonald Medal for Meritorious Service for his efforts.

Russ was coroneted an Honorary Inspector General on September 10, 1992 in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

ILL. BRO. RANDAL GEORGE **VANDERMEULEN**, 33°

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Randy Vandermeulen on 23 November 2016 at his home in Nanaimo, BC. Randy's life was cut short after a valiant battle with cancer.

Randy was born on 19 February 1957 in Souris, Manitoba. He worked for the Canadian Pacific Railway as a locomotive engineer. Most of his 35-year career was worked out of the Brandon terminal – relocating to Saskatchewan for his final 5 years and retiring to Vancouver Island in 2013. During his career, Randy served several years as Local Chairman of the UTU.

Randy had a quest for learning. He earned his private and commercial pilot's licenses and enjoyed viewing all the Western provinces from the cockpit of his own plane. Some of his many interests included travelling, golfing and spending time with family and friends.

Randy was initiated into Fenwick Lodge No. 158, served as Worshipful Master in 2003 and D.D.G.M. in 2004. In the York Rite, he was a member of Keystone Chapter, Brandon Council, Royal and Select Masters, Sovereign Great Priory of Canada, the Grand Imperial Conclave of Canada, and the Cryptic Rite. In the Scottish Rite Randy was a member of all three bodies in the Valley of Brandon serving as

T.P.G.M. in 2003-2004 and M.W.S. in 2005-2006. Randy was coroneted an Honorary Inspector-General in Toronto in 2005, was a member of Khartum Shriners and the Brandon Shrine Club.

Randy will be sadly missed by family and friends and all who knew him throughout Masonry.

ILL. BRO. JOHN HENRY **WATSON**, 33°

Ill. Bro. John Henry "Jack" Watson, was born February 26, 1924. Beloved husband of the late Jean Watson (2015) Jack will be lovingly remembered by many family and friends. Jack was employed at Prestolite Canada, retired in Sarnia and delivered for Sim Propane Sarnia. He was an active member of the Baptist Church in Sarnia. Jean and Jack had long time Memberships in the Sarnia Golf and Curling Club where they spent many happy hours on both the Links and the Rinks. Jack also played and umpired Baseball, Moore sixth line community Mooretown.

Jack was initiated into Masonry in Victoria Lodge No. 56 March 10, 1953 and received his 50 Year pin in 2003. He served as Worshipful Master in 1963 and was elected District Deputy Grand Master, Sarnia District in 1969-70. Jack attended the annual Communication of Grand Lodge faithfully ever since.

Ill. Bro. Jack Watson jumped the gun on Sarnia Lodge of Perfection by joining London Lodge of Perfection, receiving his 4th degree May 10, 1954 and his 18th degree November 20, 1955. He received his 32nd degree May 11, 1956 in the Valley of Hamilton where Jack & Harold Barnes led a Sarnia Valley delegation to Hamilton and in conjunction with our Sarnia Scottish Rite Club sponsored a Hospitality Suite for candidates each Reunion in Hamilton.

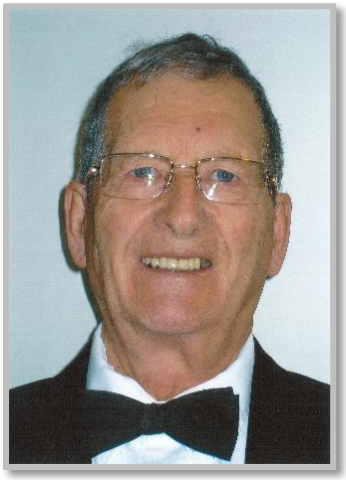
Jack affiliated with the Sarnia Lodge of Perfection and was elected Thrice Puissant Grand Master 1969 -1970 where he proved to be an excellent leader. An early President, of the Sarnia Scottish Rite Club, 1968-1969, a non-profit Fund raising charity for the Lodge of Perfection, Jack was a member and contributor for a total 48 years. He was Sarnia Scottish Rite Club Recording Secretary, 1972-2009, 37 years keeping records of all meetings and transactions. A Long time Scottish Rite Curling convener for annual Bonspiel Forest, still in operation last one this March 4, 2017.

Jack received his 33rd degree September 13, 1974, in Ottawa, Ontario, member for 43 years. Jack and his wife Jean attended most of the Annual Supreme Council Sessions across the country. Always congenial hosts for the new H.I.G and his Spouse, Jean was attentive to the ladies recommending the 33rd degree pin to be displayed in honour of this prestigious Honour.

Jack was a member of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic SHRINE and was a sustaining Member of the Sarnia Lambton Shrine Club.

Ill. Bro. Jack Watson will be sorely missed by all who knew him.

ILL. BRO. ROBERT STANLEY **WHITMARSH**, 33°



The valley of Barrie was saddened with the passing of Ill. Bro. Robert Whitmarsh, a very dedicated member, a friend to all who knew him. Bob passed away peacefully at home after a brief illness on May 17, 2017. A Masonic Memorial Service was held on Sunday, May 21, 2017 with a very large gathering of Masons and friends. Warm remembrances were given by family, friends, and Masons during the funeral service conducted by Ill. Bro. Rev. Bevan Carrique 32°.

Ill. Bro. Whitmarsh was born in Kingston, Ontario on June 24, 1941, finishing his education in Toronto, and residing in Richmond Hill for many years , and then near Mount Albert.

Bob married his beloved "bride" Doreen on June 27, 1964. He was he proud father of two daughters, Donna (Jeff) and Darlene, and grandfather of five. He was a member of the Richmond Hill United Church.

Bob had a passion for fishing hunting, baseball, curling and golf and enjoyed time at the cottage with family and friends. He was employed at the Loblaw's head office, the Town of Richmond Hill, a management company, and self employed by Whitmarsh Services from which he retired.

He was initiated into Richmond Lodge No. 23, March 20, 1974, passed April 17, 1974, raised on June 19, 1974, and served as Master in 1981. He served as District Secretary for Toronto District 5 in 1986 and was appointed Grand Steward in 1987. He was a member of and active in all aspects of the York Rite. He was a member of Rameses Shriners, Toronto and served as Potentate in 2007. He was past president of El Shamaly and Newbeaver Shrine clubs and a member of the clubs in Oshawa and Kingston.

He received the 14th degree Feb. 29, 1984 (Barrie Lodge of Perfection), the 18th degree March 10 1984 (Spry Chapter Rose Croix), the 32nd degree March 31 1984 (Barrie Consistory). He served as Commander-in-Chief of the Barrie Consistory in 2014. A faithful supporter of all activities of the Valley, a cast member of a number of degrees, he was a tireless fund raiser for the charities of the Scottish Rite.

Ill. Bro. Whitmarsh was Coroneted an Honorary Inspector-General on May 14, 2017. He will be greatly missed by his family, his friends, and his Masonic Brethren.

ILL. BRO. WILLIAM **WHYTE**, 33°

William Whyte was born on January 23, 1930 in Paisley, Scotland, where he was raised and educated. He immigrated to Vancouver in 1957 and shortly thereafter moved to Surrey, BC.

He worked for the Langley School District for 32 years, holding various positions and retiring as Maintenance Supervisor.

Bill was proud to have achieved Gold status with Canadian Blood Services for having provided lifetime donations.

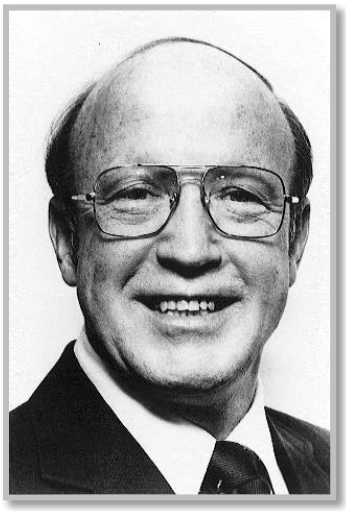
R.W. Bro. Whyte was initiated, passed and raised in Cloverdale Lodge No. 168 GRBC&Y. He was initiated on September 4, 1963 and served as Worshipful Master 1976 – 1977. He also served as District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 23 in 1984 and was awarded a 50 year Long Service Award on September 29, 2014.

Ill. Bro. Whyte received his 4th Degree in the Fraser Valley Lodge of Perfection, Valley of Fraser Valley on March 29, 1978 and the 32° in the British Columbia Consistory October 30, 1982. He served as Thrice Puissant Grand Master in 1991 and as Most Wise Sovereign of the Fraser Valley Chapter of Rose Croix.

He was coroneted 33° Honorary Inspector General September 17, 1998 in Montréal, Québec.
He was advanced and promoted into the Royal Order of Scotland in 2003.

Bill battled Alzheimer's disease for over 10 years but refused to let it change his spirit. He passed peacefully, at Langley Hospice on June 9, 2017 with Family by his side.

ILL. BRO. ROSS KENNETH **YEO**, 33°



It is with great sadness that the Niagara Valley announces the sudden passing of Ill. Bro. Ross Kenneth Yeo, 33° at his residence on Saturday, September 12, 2015. Born July 25, 1925, Ken is survived by Helen, his loving wife of 64 years, his three sons and their families, including multiple grandchildren. Ken was employed at the St. Catharines Standard for 48 years, which was where he met the love of his life. He loved fishing and was an avid [if somewhat erratic] golfer, a passion shared by his wife and family.

Ill. Bro.Yeo was an active community member particularly in the field of rowing and related organizations.

Ill. Bro.Yeo became a member of Perfection Lodge # 616, St. Catharines in 1948 and served as Worshipful Master in 1959. In 1980, he was made a Grand Steward. For years, he also served as the Lodge Treasurer. He joined the Niagara Valley Scottish Rite being a member of Elgin Lodge of Perfection, Niagara Chapter of Rose Croix and a member of Moore Sovereign Consistory. His dedication to the Valley resulted in him receiving the honour of Honorary Inspector-General 33rd Degree of the Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of Canada.

We Cherish His Memory In Our Hearts.

►GENERAL DATA AND STATISTICS◄

Sovereign Grand Commanders Since 1874

THOMAS DOUGLAS HARINGTON
Oct. 16, 1874 to Jan. 13, 1882
Died 13th January, 1882
WILLIAM HENRY HUTTON
Jan. 13, 1882 to Oct. 21, 1886
Died 9th October, 1893
JOHN VALENTINE ELLIS
Oct. 21, 1886 to Oct. 27, 1892
Died 10th July, 1913
JOHN WALTER MURTON
Oct. 27, 1892 to Oct. 23, 1898
Died 23rd October, 1898
ISAAC HENRY STEARNS
Oct. 26, 1898 to Oct. 27, 1904
Died 15th February, 1921
SIR JOHN MORISON GIBSON
Oct. 27, 1904 to Oct. 23, 1913
Oct. 26, 1922 to Oct. 25, 1923
Died 3rd June, 1929
BENJAMIN ALLEN
Oct. 23, 1913 to Oct. 23, 1919
Died 10th April, 1920
JOHN ALEXANDER CAMERON
Oct. 23, 1919 to Oct. 26, 1922
Oct. 25, 1923 to Oct. 8, 1925
Died 16th December, 1931
ALFRED FREDERICK WEBSTER
Oct. 8, 1925 to Oct. 3, 1934
Died 7th May, 1938
WILLIAM HUGH WARDROPE
Oct. 3, 1934 to Oct. 2, 1940
Apr. 18, 1942 to Oct. 7, 1942
Died 27th June, 1947
JOHN ALBERT ROWLAND
Oct. 2, 1940 to April 18, 1942
Died 18th April, 1942
DOUGLAS GORDON McILWRAITH
Oct. 7, 1942 to Feb. 2, 1948
Died 2nd February, 1948
GEORGE HENRY ROSS
Feb. 2, 1948 to Feb. 14, 1950
Died 14th February, 1950
DOUGLAS FRASER
Feb. 14, 1950 to Oct. 15, 1952
Died 26th August, 1968
CLARENCE MacLEOD PITTS
Oct. 15, 1952 to Sept. 21, 1955
Died 10th April, 1965
THOMAS KINGSMILL WADE
Sept. 21, 1955 to Sept. 11, 1958
Died 20th January, 1965
RICHARD COULTON BERKINSHAW
Sept. 7, 1961 to Sept. 9, 1964
Died 4th May, 1970
GEORGE CLEVELAND DERBY
Sept. 9, 1964 to Sept. 13th, 1967
Died 5th January, 1971
CHARLES HERBERT CUNNINGHAM
Sept. 13, 1967 to Sept. 12, 1969
Died 12th September, 1969
DONALD LLOYD WITTER
Sept. 12, 1969 to Sept. 8, 1973
Died 21st June, 1992
HOWARD BROWN MOORE
1970 Honorary
Died 6th June, 1978
HARVEY ROY DOANE
Sept. 8, 1973 to Sept. 11, 1976
Died 10th June, 1989
WALTER CLIFTON McDONALD
Sept. 11, 1976 to Sept. 15, 1979
Died 7th November, 1999
WALTER HENRY MORTLOCK
Sept. 15, 1979 to Sept. 11, 1982
Died 17th January, 1998
LYLE HERBERT BERGSTROM
Sept. 11, 1982 to Sept. 14, 1985
Died 8th August, 1992
GORDON LOCKHART BENNETT
Sept. 14, 1985 to Sept. 10, 1988
Died 11th February, 2000
JOHN ALLAN BOURNE
Sept. 10, 1988 to Sept. 14, 1991
Died 11th, October, 2000
JOHN VINCENT LAWER
Sept. 14, 1991 to Sept. 10, 1994
Died 29th, March, 2016
HAROLD EDWARD CROSBY
Sept. 10, 1994 to Sept. 13, 1997
GLENN MARVIN MARTIN
Sept. 13, 1997 to Sept. 16, 2000
Died 8th, April, 2015
NORMAN EDWARD BYRNE
Sept. 16, 2000 to Sept 13, 2003
Died 13th, Sept., 2005
ORLAN JOHN WEBER
Sept. 13, 2003 to Sept. 16, 2006
CHARLES ROBERT TOWNSHEND
Sept. 16, 2006 to Sept. 19, 2009
Died 14th March, 2015
MATTHEW FRANCIS TODD
Sept. 19, 2009 to Sept. 15, 2012
RICHARD AUSTIN H. BROWN
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1874 ~ Ottawa
1875 ~ Montréal
1876 ~ "
1877 ~ "
1878 ~ "
1879 ~ "
~ (special in March at Hamilton)
1880 ~ Montréal
1881 ~ "
1882 ~ "
1883 ~ "
1884 ~ "
1885 ~ (Not held at Saint John)
~ (special in April at Hamilton)
1886 ~ Montréal
~ (special in November at Hamilton)
1887 ~ Montréal
1888 ~ "
1889 ~ "
1890 ~ Hamilton
1891 ~ Saint John
1892 ~ Montréal
1893 ~ "
1894 ~ Toronto
1895 ~ Montréal
1896 ~ Ottawa
1897 ~ Montréal
1898 ~ "
1899 ~ Saint John
1900 ~ Toronto
1901 ~ Montréal
1902 ~ "
1903 ~ Toronto
1904 ~ Montréal
1905 ~ Ottawa
1906 ~ London
1907 ~ Montréal
1908 ~ "
1909 ~ Toronto
1910 ~ Montréal
1911 ~ Winnipeg
1912 ~ Hamilton
1913 ~ Montréal
1914 ~ Toronto
1915 ~ Ottawa
1916 ~ Montréal
1917 ~ London
1918 ~ Hamilton
1919 ~ Montréal
1920 ~ Hamilton
1921 ~ Ottawa
1922 ~ Montréal
1923 ~ Toronto
~ (special at Hamilton)
1924 ~ Vancouver
1925 ~ Montréal
1926 ~ Halifax
1927 ~ Hamilton
1928 ~ Montréal
1929 ~ Edmonton
1930 ~ Toronto
1931 ~ Montréal
1932 ~ Saint John
1933 ~ Ottawa
1934 ~ Montréal
1935 ~ Vancouver
1936 ~ London
1937 ~ Montréal
1938 ~ Halifax
1939 ~ Fort William
1940 ~ Montréal
1941 ~ Regina
1942 ~ Hamilton
1943 ~ Montréal
1944 ~ Windsor
1945 ~ Hamilton (93)
1946 ~ Québec (111) (67)
1947 ~ Calgary (111) (73)
1948 ~ London (158) (100)
1949 ~ Saint John (150) (101)
1950 ~ Ottawa (189) (119)
1951 ~ Winnipeg (176) (118)
1952 ~ Niagara (230) (146)
1953 ~ Montréal (201) (147)
1954 ~ Toronto (243) (197)
1955 ~ Vancouver (184) (146)
1956 ~ Hamilton (224) (199)
1957 ~ Halifax (200) (159)
1958 ~ Windsor (247) (199)
1959 ~ Saskatoon (199) (143)
1960 ~ Fort William (220) (157)
1961 ~ St. Andrews (205) (159)

1962 ~ London (291) (230)
1963 ~ Edmonton (242) (177)
1964 ~ Ottawa (289) (245)
1965 ~ Montréal (264) (204)
1966 ~ Niagara (268) (220)
1967 ~ Winnipeg (256) (193)
1968 ~ Hamilton (351) (269)
1969 ~ Halifax (265) (213)
1970 ~ Toronto (290) (220)
1971 ~ Calgary (287) (223)
1972 ~ Windsor (273) (206)
1973 ~ Vancouver (283) (224)
1974 ~ Ottawa (368) (315)
1975 ~ Hamilton (301) (252)
1976 ~ Regina (316) (257)
1977 ~ Hamilton (331) (278)
1978 ~ Moncton (299) (252)
1979 ~ Niagara (360) (312)
1980 ~ Winnipeg (387) (316)
1981 ~ Peterborough (419) (346)
1982 ~ Fredericton (349) (301)
1983 ~ Toronto (410) (331)
1984 ~ Edmonton (392) (326)
1985 ~ London (462) (383)
1986 ~ Charlottetown (396) (346)
1987 ~ Windsor (375) (305)
1988 ~ Vancouver (416) (343)
1989 ~ Ottawa (411) (334)
1990 ~ St. John's (353) (302)
1991 ~ Thunder Bay (332) (273)
1992 ~ Saskatoon (356) (291)
1993 ~ Hamilton (358) (284)
1994 ~ Halifax (337) (285)
1995 ~ Kingston (336) (289)
1996 ~ Calgary (347) (291)
1997 ~ Barrie (309) (254)
1998 ~ Montréal (327) (274)
1999 ~ Niagara (326) (269)
2000 ~ Winnipeg (334) (272)
2001 ~ London (307) (246)
2002 ~ Saint John (290) (233)
2003 ~ Windsor (307) (230)
2004 ~ Edmonton (350) (272)
2005 ~ Toronto (326) (262)
2006 ~ Halifax (340) (280)
2007 ~ Ottawa (320) (251)
2008 ~ Vancouver (255) (201)
2009 ~ Hamilton (296) (211)
2010 ~ Moncton (234) (173)
2011 ~ Thunder Bay (245) (170)
2012 ~ Winnipeg (209) (131)
2013 ~ Barrie (284) (215)
2014 ~ Halifax (239) (181)
2015 ~ Windsor (278) (195)
2016 ~ St. John's (229) (189)
2017 ~ Montréal (261) (196)

Year ~ City (Members) (Ladies)

Future Sessions

2018 ~ London, ON	Thursday, September 13 to Saturday, September 15, 2018
2020 ~ TBA	Thursday, September 17 to Saturday, September 19, 2020

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Winch, John Earl (Earla)
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Kitchener, ON N2H 1X5
Res.: 519-822-7718 Cell/Bus :
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Valley of Guelph
Date of 33° - September 13, 1984
Date of Past Active Mem. - September 14, 1996

Young, Gordon Stanley (Helene)
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Rothesay, NB E2E 6E2
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Valley of Saint John
Date of 33° - September 10, 1987
Date of Past Active Mem. - September 14, 2013

Thornton, Donald Roy (Edith)
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Date of 33° - September 10, 1992
Date of Past Active Mem. - September 18, 2010

Waddell, Robert Lawrence
99 Park Street Room 220
Chatham, ON N7M 3R5
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Valley of Chatham
Date of 33° - September 13, 1984
Date of Past Active Mem. - September 15, 2001

Ward, Michael (Penny)
3 - 15989 Mountain View Drive
Surrey, BC V3Z 0M9
Res.: 604-535-1163 Cell/Bus :
Email: wardind@telus.net
Valley of Vancouver
Date of 33° - September 17, 1998
Date of Past Active Mem. - September 17, 2016

Whiteley, Sydney Raymond (Lynn)
1 Harlowe Court
Whitby, ON L1N 6V3
Res.: 905-666-3888 Cell/Bus :
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Valley of Toronto
Date of 33° - September 09, 1993
Date of Past Active Mem. - September 19, 2009

Wood, James Taylor (Olof)
733 Queenston Street
Winnipeg, MB R3N 0X8
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Valley of Winnipeg
Date of 33° - September 16, 2004
Date of Past Active Mem. - September 16, 2011

SOVEREIGN GRAND INSPECTORS-GENERAL 33° (38)
Active Members by Seniority

	Date of 33º	Date of Active
Harold Edward Crosby	Sept. 10, 1976	Sept. 12, 1981
Orlan John Weber	Sept. 10, 1987	Sept. 12, 1992
Matthew Francis Todd	Sept. 12, 1996	Sept. 18, 1999
Allard Boudewijn Loopstra	Sept. 10, 1992	Sept. 16, 2000
Robert Stuart Whitmore.	Sept. 08, 1994	Sept. 16, 2000
Thomas Edward Lewis	Sept. 13, 1990	Sept. 15, 2001
Brian Wilfred Gilkinson	Sept. 13, 2001	Sept. 15, 2001
Richard Austin Howell Brown	Sept. 17, 1998	Sept. 14, 2002
Michael David Huron Farr.	Sept. 12, 1991	Sept. 13, 2003
Loren William Kline.	Sept. 17, 1998	Sept. 13, 2003
Gareth Rhys Taylor	Sept. 13, 2001	Sept. 16, 2006
William Charles Fitzsimmons	Sept. 12, 2002	Sept. 16, 2006
James Stephen Ross	Sept. 10, 1992	Sept. 15, 2007
Terry Allan McLean	Sept. 15, 2005	Sept. 13, 2008
David Ronald MacDonald	Sept. 13, 2001	Sept. 19, 2009
Duncan Stuart Skinner	Sept. 17, 2009	Sept. 19, 2009
Chesley Roy Piercey	Sept. 09, 1993	Sept. 18, 2010
Robert David Brethour	Sept. 14, 2000	Sept. 18, 2010
John Wesley Trousdale	Sept. 11, 2003	Sept. 18, 2010
William Arthur Atkinson	Sept. 14, 2006	Sept. 17, 2011
Gordon Greasley	Sept. 13, 2007	Sept. 17, 2011
Stephen Godfrey	Sept. 12, 1996	Sept. 15, 2012
Wilfred Douglas Keam	Sept. 12, 1996	Sept. 15, 2012
James Crawford Sutherland	Sept. 14, 2000	Sept. 15, 2012
James Gerard Finch	Sept. 16, 2004	Sept. 15, 2012
Jean Reed	Sept. 16, 2004	Sept. 14, 2013
David Garth Hooper	Sept. 15, 2005	Sept. 14, 2013
Miles Rae Graham	Sept. 14, 2006	Sept. 14, 2013
Alan Douglas Arbuckle	Sept. 13, 2012	Sept. 14, 2013
David Allan Bennett	Sept. 14, 2006	Sept. 13, 2014
Allan John Leslie Hadley	Sept. 14, 2013	Sept. 13, 2014
Karl Edmond Springer	Sept. 17, 1998	Sept. 15, 2015
Jeffrey Ralph Dickson	Sept. 13, 2001	Sept. 15, 2015
William Anthony Davis	Sept. 13, 2007	Sept. 15, 2015
John Edward Harrison	Sept. 14, 2006	Sept. 15, 2015
John Gray Teleske	Sept. 16, 2004	Sept. 17, 2016
Thomas Arthur Wills	Sept. 16, 2004	Sept. 17, 2016
Allan Leonard Long	Sept. 11, 2014	Sept. 14, 2017

SOVEREIGN GRAND INSPECTORS-GENERAL 33° (35)

Past Active Members by Seniority

	Date of 33rd Degree	Date of Past Active Membership
John Earl Esworthy Winch.	Sept. 13, 1984	Sept. 14, 1996
Donald Walter Lambie	Sept. 12, 1975	Sept. 13, 1997
Thomas Virgil Hannan	Sept. 15, 1983	Sept. 13, 1997
Robert George Wands	Sept. 13, 1990	Sept. 16, 2000
Robert Lawrence Waddell	Sept. 13, 1984	Sept. 15, 2001
Kenneth Samuel Orr	Sept. 13, 1984	Sept. 14, 2002
Philippe Armand Decelles	Sept. 10, 1981	Sept. 13, 2003
Stanley James Clayton	Sept. 08, 1988	Sept. 17, 2005
Oliver Jack Sproule	Sept. 13, 1984	Sept. 16, 2006
Charles Edwin Drew	Sept. 08, 1988	Sept. 16, 2006
Donald Adam Murray	Sept. 13, 1990	Sept. 16, 2006
Gerald Allister Chaulk	Sept. 13, 1974	Sept. 15, 2007
Richard David Quinton	Sept. 10, 1987	Sept. 15, 2007
Alexander William Watson	Sept. 14, 1989	Sept. 15, 2007
John Andrew Prosnick	Sept. 16, 1999	Sept. 15, 2007
John Dennis Chadbourne	Sept. 14, 1989	Sept. 19, 2009
Sydney Raymond Whiteley	Sept. 09, 1993	Sept. 19, 2009
Donald Roy Thornton	Sept. 10, 1992	Sept. 18, 2010
William Archibald Dorman Cook	Sept. 09, 1993	Sept. 18, 2010
George Neilson Cooper	Sept. 14, 2006	Sept. 18, 2010
Maurice Hrycyk	Sept. 08, 1988	Sept. 17, 2011
Donald Douglas Thornton	Sept. 14, 1995	Sept. 17, 2011
James Taylor Wood	Sept. 16, 2004	Sept. 17, 2011
Robert Alfred Barnett	Sept. 11, 1986	Sept. 15, 2012
Robert LeRoux Taylor	Sept. 08, 1994	Sept. 15, 2012
Ray Thomas Bryant.	Sept. 14, 2000	Sept. 15, 2012
Gordon Stanley Young	Sept. 10, 1987	Sept. 14, 2013
Pierre Arthur Phaneuf.	Sept. 10, 1992	Sept. 14, 2013
Harry Edward Standish	Sept. 12, 1996	Sept. 14, 2013
Samuel Kalinowsky	Sept. 13, 2007	Sept. 14, 2013
Rozin Daniel Iwanicki	Sept. 12, 1996	Sept. 13, 2014
Marvin LaGrange Munro	Sept. 09, 1982	Sept. 18, 2015
Marvin John Salmi	Sept. 14, 2006	Sept. 18, 2015
Michael Ward	Sept. 17, 1998	Sept. 17, 2016
Victor Lepp	Sept. 12, 2002	Sept. 17, 2016

HONORARY INSPECTORS-GENERALS, 33° (931)

ALBERTA (69)

Name	Valley	Date Received
Austin, John *Howard*	Edmonton	Sept. 10, 1992
Bate, Geoffrey Harwood	Calgary	Sept. 16, 2004
Bate, Thomas *Edward*	Edmonton	Sept. 13, 1974
Bennett, Gary Bedford Emerson	Edmonton	Sept. 17, 1998
Berard, Gordon Paul	Calgary	Sept. 16, 2004
Berry, James Edward	Edmonton	Sept. 13, 2007
Bly, Elmer Franklin	Edmonton	Sept. 17, 1998
Brown, Douglas William	Calgary	Sept. 13, 2007
Caldwell, Steven Stewart	Edmonton	Sept. 15, 2016
Canning, Howard Gordon	Edmonton	Sept. 11, 2008
Christensen, George Douglas	Edmonton	Sept. 16, 2010
Costouros, Basile	Edmonton	Sept. 12, 1996
Creasor, Duane David	Lethbridge	Sept. 17, 2015
Darichuk, George Thomas	Central Alberta	Sept. 10, 1992
Dawe, John Anderson	Edmonton	Sept. 08, 1988
Dawson, Gordon Rex	Edmonton	Sept. 15, 2011
Dixon, Grant William	Central Alberta	Sept. 15, 2016
Downs, Norman Edward	Calgary	Sept. 13, 2007
Drolet, Terrence Armitage	Edmonton	Sept. 13, 1990
Elliot, Allan Glen	Calgary	Sept. 17, 1998
Fedun, John	Edmonton	Sept. 13, 2007
Flemmer, Theodore Allan	Medicine Hat	Sept. 16, 2004
Fraser, Karl Thomas	Calgary	Sept. 11, 2008
Fyfe, Albert Edward	Medicine Hat	Sept. 11, 2014
Gyulai, Daniel Anthony	Lethbridge	Sept. 17, 2009
Hart, Donald Fredrick	Edmonton	Sept. 14, 2017
Hite, William Lundgren	Edmonton	Sept. 14, 2006
Hochman, David Charles	Calgary	Sept. 15, 2016
Hunt, James Darryl	Edmonton	Sept. 14, 2017
Hutton, James Bruce	Lethbridge	Sept. 15, 2005
Innes, James	Central Alberta	Sept. 15, 2011
James, Ronald William	Edmonton	Sept. 11, 2008
Jones, Joseph *Arthur*	Edmonton	Sept. 14, 2006
Kennaway, Robert Adam	Edmonton	Sept. 17, 2015
Kobluk, William Douglas	Edmonton	Sept. 15, 2005
Kuenzel, Johannes	Calgary	Sept. 15, 2005
Kwasnycia, Nestor Michael	Edmonton	Sept. 15, 2005
Livingstone, William *Matthew*	Calgary	Sept. 12, 1996
MacMoneagle, Stuart Munn	Edmonton	Sept. 15, 2011
Maloney, Richard *John*	Medicine Hat	Sept. 14, 2017
Millar, Donald Ryan	Edmonton	Sept. 15, 1983
Mottershead, Stanley Irwin	Edmonton	Sept. 15, 2005
Mouser, Stanley *Ross*	Lethbridge	Sept. 10, 1992
Odland, Richard Dennis	Calgary	Sept. 11, 2003

Name	Valley	Date Received
Parkyn, William	Calgary	Sept. 14, 2017
Pay, Murray Vernon Desmond	Calgary	Sept. 16, 2004
Phillips, Russell Gary	Calgary	Sept. 08, 1994
Ponech, Rodney Bowman	Edmonton	Sept. 16, 2004
Reynolds, John Henry	Medicine Hat	Sept. 11, 2008
Robertson, John Duncan	Edmonton	Sept. 14, 2000
Rojas, Jorge Wilibaldo	Calgary	Sept. 11, 2008
Roth, David Albert	Edmonton	Sept. 16, 2010
Royal, Arthur Nelson	Calgary	Sept. 10, 1992
Senn, Norman John	Calgary	Sept. 15, 1983
Shutt, Craig Kenneth	Edmonton	Sept. 11, 2014
Simpson, Robert Cray	Edmonton	Sept. 16, 2010
Skakun, John	Edmonton	Sept. 10, 1992
Skelton, Terrance Ernest	Central Alberta	Sept. 14, 2017
Sonley, Roy Ernest	Medicine Hat	Sept. 16, 2010
Spicer, Leigh Thomas John	Edmonton	Sept. 16, 2004
Stark, Karl Robert	Edmonton	Sept. 16, 2004
Stewart, Angus Colin	Edmonton	Sept. 11, 2014
Sykes, George William	Edmonton	Sept. 10, 1992
Vines, Irwin Charles	Calgary	Sept. 17, 2015
Watkins, John *David*	Edmonton	Sept. 15, 2005
Welke, Walter *Harold*	Edmonton	Sept. 11, 2008
Williams, Christopher Arthur John	Edmonton	Sept. 13, 2012
Winegrave, Allen	Edmonton	Sept. 14, 2017
Youngstrom, Erick *Dale*	Calgary	Sept. 11, 2003

BRITISH COLUMBIA (82)

Akerman, Terrance Edward	Nanaimo	Sept. 10, 1981
Allen, Robert Glenn	Vancouver	Sept. 11, 2008
Armitage, Richard Douglas	Campbell River	Sept. 16, 2004
Atkinson, Larry Lee	Fraser Valley	Sept. 12, 2002
Barr, Jack Lyle	Vancouver	Sept. 14, 2006
Battle, Jesse Felix	Victoria	Sept. 11, 2008
Birnie, Richard Allan	Vernon	Sept. 12, 2013
Blaker, Randy William	Vernon	Sept. 15, 2016
Bolger, Edward Carl	Victoria	Sept. 15, 2011
Bott, Stanley William	Kamloops	Sept. 11, 1997
Bowcott, Jordan Roy	Fraser Valley	Sept. 14, 2000
Broadberry, Jonathan Hugh	Kamloops	Sept. 15, 2016
Brown, Winston Samuel Albert	Castlegar/Nelson	Sept. 12, 2002
Calli, Michael Kenneth	Prince Rupert	Sept. 14, 2000
Campbell, Donald Leslie	Victoria	Sept. 15, 2005
Cardinez, Winston Ambrose	Victoria	Sept. 13, 2007
Cave, William Rutherford	Prince George	Sept. 12, 2013
Clare, Richard *Hilliard*	Prince George	Sept. 10, 1981
Clark, Matthew Ridgley	Victoria	Sept. 17, 2015
Cross, John *Alan*	Nanaimo	Sept. 11, 2008
Dearing, Mark Seymour	Vernon	Sept. 13, 2012
Dearlow, Loyd	Vancouver	Sept. 08, 1988

Name	Valley	Date Received
Donaldson, Mark Stephen	Campbell River	Sept. 13, 2012
Durell, Philip Henry Edward	Vancouver	Sept. 12, 2002
Eales, Peter Raymond	Vancouver	Sept. 12, 2013
Easton, Douglas George	Victoria	Sept. 12, 2013
Erickson, Alfred Joseph	Fraser Valley	Sept. 13, 2007
Ferguson, Charles William	Vernon	Sept. 12, 1996
Fraser, Leonard Stanley	Fraser Valley	Sept. 14, 2017
Fulton, James Hugh	Kamloops	Sept. 11, 2014
Gibson, David Lachlan	Vancouver	Sept. 13, 1984
Gillespie, Robert Reid	Vancouver	Sept. 17, 2009
Gordon, Aidan Chalmers	Vancouver	Sept. 13, 2012
Gordon, Alexander Phillip Spencer	Victoria	Sept. 14, 2006
Hahn, Stanley *Richard* Gregory	Castlegar/Nelson	Sept. 12, 1996
Hardy, Thomas Burnett	Vancouver	Sept. 12, 2002
Harper, John Thomas	Kamloops	Sept. 12, 1996
Hayes, Harold James	Campbell River	Sept. 14, 2006
Headen, Richard *William*	Victoria	Sept. 12, 2002
Hilborn, William Harvey	Victoria	Sept. 16, 2010
Holland, Thomas John*	Vancouver	Sept. 14, 2006
Kerridge, David Charles	Kamloops	Sept. 14, 2006
Ley, William Henry	Victoria	Sept. 14, 2017
Link, Lawrence William	Castlegar/Nelson	Sept. 08, 1988
MacKenzie, Stephen	Vancouver	Sept. 17, 2015
McAlpine, David Robert	Vancouver	Sept. 17, 2015
Mitchell, Dennis Weston	Vernon	Sept. 11, 2008
Molyneux, William Edmund Mitchell	Vernon	Sept. 14, 2006
Moore, George	Fraser Valley	Sept. 16, 2010
Moreshead, James Arthur	Nanaimo	Sept. 09, 1993
Moxley, Murray Clinton	Vancouver	Sept. 17, 2009
Munro, Donald Alfred	Kamloops	Sept. 15, 2005
Munro, Donald Clifford	Vancouver	Sept. 14, 1995
Murray, Andrew Angus	Nanaimo	Sept. 15, 2011
Neudorf, Cornelius John	Fraser Valley	Sept. 11, 1997
Norbury, Michael Robin	Vancouver	Sept. 11, 2008
Nordan, Harold Cecil	Fraser Valley	Sept. 17, 2009
Ogilvie, Donald Loring	Kamloops	Sept. 17, 2009
Parent, Robert *Lawrence* Monte	Fraser Valley	Sept. 11, 2014
Parker, David Fletcher Hewlett	Prince Rupert	Sept. 14, 2000
Parker, David Wesley	Victoria	Sept. 15, 2005
Pattison, Alan Manning	Vernon	Sept. 16, 2004
Poncia, William John	Prince George	Sept. 17, 2009
Rakuson, Maurice *Brett*	Castlegar/Nelson	Sept. 14, 2017
Sands, John Leonard	Victoria	Sept. 17, 2009
Sauder, Gerald Bryan	Victoria	Sept. 13, 2012
Shaw, Henry William	Vernon	Sept. 16, 2004
Slawson, Kenneth Earl	Nanaimo	Sept. 14, 2017
Sowden, Douglas, Robert	Nanaimo	Sept. 16, 2004
Stanley, Norman James	Fraser Valley	Sept. 11, 1986
Storrie, David Scott	Campbell River	Sept. 15, 2016

Name	Valley	Date Received
Sutherland, Neil McLeod	Victoria	Sept. 15, 2011
Swityk, Albert Henry	Castlegar/Nelson	Sept. 16, 2004
Taylor, William *Earle*	Victoria	Sept. 16, 1999
Thompson, Arthur Robert	Nanaimo	Sept. 13, 1990
Timmins, Leonard Randle	Prince George	Sept. 14, 2017
Turner, Harold Kendall	Fraser Valley	Sept. 17, 2009
Wallace, Graeme Gardner	Vancouver	Sept. 14, 2017
Ward, Leonard Golding	Kamloops	Sept. 13, 2012
Weller, William *Neil*	Prince George	Sept. 16, 2004
Woodburn, Jeffery Allen	Victoria	Sept. 17, 2009
Woods, Charles Ernest	Victoria	Sept. 12, 2002

MANITOBA (25)

Brooker, John *Barry*	Winnipeg	Sept. 11, 2014
Cox, Kenneth Richard	Winnipeg	Sept. 14, 2006
Dickson, Frederic John	Winnipeg	Sept. 10, 1992
Fergusson, John Archibald	Winnipeg	Sept. 09, 1982
Forshaw, Earle Philip	Winnipeg	Sept. 12, 1991
Gilchrist, William Alexander	Winnipeg	Sept. 16, 1999
Gross, Bernard	Winnipeg	Sept. 15, 2016
Haldane-Wilsone, Charles *Rae*	Winnipeg	Sept. 12, 1996
Holt, David James	Winnipeg	Sept. 11, 2008
Hunter, William Austin	Winnipeg	Sept. 14, 2017
Johnston, Calvin Ralph	Winnipeg	Sept. 12, 1985
Johnston, Ross Adair	Winnipeg	Sept. 10, 1976
Kindrat, Derek Edwin	Brandon	Sept. 14, 2006
Ledger, Ronald *Blair*	Winnipeg	Sept. 14, 2006
Logan, James *David*	Winnipeg	Sept. 13, 2007
McKay, Morley John	Brandon	Sept. 11, 2008
McLachlan, Donald Kenneth	Winnipeg	Sept. 10, 1981
McMullan, Robert *Grant*	Brandon	Sept. 13, 2007
Mildren, Walter Alfred	Winnipeg	Sept. 13, 1974
Odgers, Herbert *Trevor*	Winnipeg	Sept. 14, 2006
Pallister, Harley George	Brandon	Sept. 12, 1996
Pohl, Norman Rudolf	Winnipeg	Sept. 12, 2013
Rosenbaum, Harry Joseph	Winnipeg	Sept. 16, 1999
Taylor, Alexander *Bruce*	Winnipeg	Sept. 17, 2015
Winslow, Paul Blake	Winnipeg	Sept. 15, 2005

NEW BRUNSWICK (31)

Allen, Stephen Hazen	Moncton	Sept. 14, 2017
Bishop, Allan Harold	Fredericton	Sept. 17, 2015
Bishop, Leonard Douglas	Fredericton	Sept. 16, 1999
Brown, Lary Edwin	Fredericton	Sept. 16, 2010
Caldwell, Eric Ernest	Saint John	Sept. 08, 1994
Clouston, Murray Elwin	Moncton	Sept. 09, 1993
Ellsworth, Barry Vance	Moncton	Sept. 16, 2004
Ellsworth, Gordon *Scott*	Moncton	Sept. 11, 2014

Name	Valley	Date Received
Esligar, William Lloyd	Fredericton	Sept. 14, 1995
Finnie, Ronald Geoffrey	Fredericton	Sept. 16, 2004
Fraser, Graham Alexander	Saint John	Sept. 12, 2013
Gagnon, Nelson Joseph (*Jody*)	Moncton	Sept. 17, 2015
Kierstead, Robert Allen	Saint John	Sept. 07, 1978
Knowles, Derek Colin	Moncton	Sept. 16, 2010
Manning, Leigh Lynn	Moncton	Sept. 16, 2010
McClare, Robert *Layton*	Fredericton	Sept. 14, 2006
Millett, William Donald	Moncton	Sept. 16, 2010
Moffatt, Jr. Cameron David	Fredericton	Sept. 16, 2010
Munn, Darrell Alexander	Fredericton	Sept. 15, 2016
Nason, Osborne LeBaron	Saint John	Sept. 16, 1999
Nelson, Randall William	Saint John	Sept. 14, 2006
Pelley, Finlay *Graham*	Saint John	Sept. 11, 2003
Petite, William James	Saint John	Sept. 14, 2006
Roberts, Donald Charles	Moncton	Sept. 14, 2006
Robinson, Russell John	Saint John	Sept. 16, 2010
Ross, Ora Douglas	Fredericton	Sept. 16, 2004
Smith, Walter *Llewellyn* Winston	Moncton	Sept. 14, 2006
Strover, Wyndham Alfred	Saint John	Sept. 07, 1978
Whitcomb, Richard Murdoch	Saint John	Sept. 16, 2010
*Wood, Douglas Andrew	Moncton	Sept. 13, 1990
Young, Edward *Arthur*	Moncton	Sept. 17, 1998

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR (6)

Budden, Gerald William	St. John's	Sept. 17, 2015
Devereaux, Owen	St. John's	Sept. 11, 2014
Handrigan, Clayton Thornhill	St. John's	Sept. 13, 2012
Miller, Douglas *Paul* Hugh	St. John's	Sept. 15, 2016
Rowsell, James Hedley	St. John's	Sept. 11, 2014
Saunders, William Roy	St. John's	Sept. 17, 1998

NOVA SCOTIA (34)

Alteen, David Waldo	Sydney	Sept. 17, 2009
Armstrong, Lawrin Carl	Halifax	Sept. 12, 1991
Banks, Earl Leopold	Halifax	Sept. 11, 1997
Black, William *Marshall*	Halifax	Sept. 15, 1983
Clarke, Norman *Kent*	Halifax	Sept. 14, 2006
Conn, John Kirk	Halifax	Sept. 15, 2005
Daine, Harry Edward David	Halifax	Sept. 14, 2006
Ford, Harvey James	Halifax	Sept. 16, 2004
Frank, Paul Eugene	Halifax	Sept. 17, 2009
Fraser, David Oran	Halifax	Sept. 15, 2016
Fulton, Robert James	Halifax	Sept. 11, 2014
Giffin, Whitman Joseph	Halifax	Sept. 14, 2017
Granchelli, Gordon Francis	Sydney	Sept. 17, 2015
Gregan, James *Ivan*	Halifax	Sept. 16, 2004
Horwich, Michael	Halifax	Sept. 13, 2007
Ihasz, Louis	Sydney	Sept. 13, 2012

Name	Valley	Date Received
Jackson, Edward *Carson*	Halifax	Sept. 13, 2001
Karrel, Samuel	Sydney	Sept. 15, 2005
Langham, David George	Sydney	Sept. 16, 2010
MacDonald, Brian Lee	Sydney	Sept. 16, 2004
MacFarlane, Gordon *Shane*	Sydney	Sept. 14, 1995
MacLeod, Donald Fergusson	Sydney	Sept. 13, 2012
Meunier, Lloyd Walter	Halifax	Sept. 16, 2010
Milne, Frank Emmett	Halifax	Sept. 11, 1980
Pizzo, Ronald Ernest	Halifax	Sept. 11, 2014
Publicover, Gerald Louis	Halifax	Sept. 14, 2000
Reid, George Wesley	Halifax	Sept. 13, 2012
Rideout, Roy Allister	Sydney	Sept. 10, 1992
Smith, Burney Arthur	Halifax	Sept. 14, 1995
Thornhill, Roland John	Sydney	Sept. 16, 2004
Toole, John Harold *Vernon*	Halifax	Sept. 16, 2004
Waterbury, David John Cunningham	Halifax	Sept. 12, 1985
Wilkie, Raymond Edward	Halifax	Sept. 15, 2005
Wilson, James Munroe	Halifax	Sept. 14, 2017

ONTARIO (608)

Abraham. Victor Joel	Hamilton	Sept. 17, 2015
Adam, Michael Taylor	Sarnia	Sept. 15, 2016
Adamson, Kenneth Clare	Hamilton	Sept. 13, 2001
Adeite, Obafemi	Toronto	Sept. 15, 2005
Alexander, Beverly Charles Wallace	Hamilton	Sept. 13, 2001
Alexander, Charles Robert	North Bay	Sept. 11, 2003
Allan, Frederick John	Hamilton	Sept. 15, 2016
Allingham, William Wilford	Sarnia	Sept. 16, 2010
Andersen, Bent Ove	London	Sept. 17, 2009
Anderson, Alvin James	Toronto	Sept. 09, 1977
Anderson, Bruce David	Thunder Bay	Sept. 13, 2012
Anderson, Ernest John *Burns*	Toronto	Sept. 17, 2015
Anderson, James Elverton	Barrie	Sept. 11, 1997
Anderson, John Christopher	North Bay	Sept. 14, 2006
Anderson, John Karl	North Bay	Sept. 12, 1985
Armstrong, John Herbert	North Bay	Sept. 17, 2009
Arscott, Clifford Victor	Peterborough	Sept. 15, 2005
Ashley, Paul Brandon	North Bay	Sept. 16, 2004
Atkinson, Dennis Gordon	Chatham	Sept. 14, 2006
Atkinson, Gary Laverne	Sarnia	Sept. 15, 2005
Atkinson, Walter Herbert	Guelph	Sept. 08, 1988
Atkinson, William Michael Jr.	Windsor	Sept. 16, 2010
Atsidakos, Peter	Toronto	Sept. 11, 1997
Ault, John Sydney	Woodstock	Sept. 13, 2007
Bailey, Murray Brian	Peterborough	Sept. 13, 2012
Bailey, Robert William	Sarnia	Sept. 14, 2000
Bain, Donald William	North Bay	Sept. 14, 1995
Baker, John *Albert*	Hamilton	Sept. 16, 2004
Ball, Colin Arthur Wallace	Toronto	Sept. 12, 1996

Name	Valley	Date Received
Banks, Douglas Randall	London	Sept. 08, 1994
Barber, James Russell	London	Sept. 13, 2001
Barber, Paul Michael	Windsor	Sept. 17, 2009
Barker, Albert Arthur	Hamilton	Sept. 14, 1989
Barker, Wayne Harry	London	Sept. 17, 2009
Barnes, Willard Carman	Chatham	Sept. 11, 2008
Barnett, William Lloyd	London	Sept. 13, 1984
Barr, Peter Stuart	Thunder Bay	Sept. 14, 2000
Bauch, Benjamin *Richard*	Thunder Bay	Sept. 14, 2017
Bayne, George Potter	Woodstock	Sept. 12, 2013
Beard, Francis *William* John	North Bay	Sept. 12, 1985
Bedford, Brock Howard	Hamilton	Sept. 10, 1987
Beggs, Keith David	Sault Ste. Marie	Sept. 10, 1992
Bell, John *David*	Sudbury	Sept. 12, 2013
Bennett, Donald	Toronto	Sept. 11, 2003
Benton, George Frederick	Hamilton	Sept. 08, 1988
Beringer, Robert Dale	London	Sept. 11, 2003
Berry, Robert *Alan*	Hamilton	Sept. 16, 1999
Binch, Stephen Earl	Hamilton	Sept. 13, 2001
Binns, Thomas *Roy*	Hamilton	Sept. 12, 2002
Birdsall, William George	Niagara	Sept. 17, 1998
Birnie, Allan John Fredrick	Toronto	Sept. 11, 2003
Black, John Ross Albert	London	Sept. 17, 2015
Black, Murray Strathearn	Toronto	Sept. 12, 1996
Blair, Rodney Charles	Guelph	Sept. 15, 2011
Blake, Dennis Raymond	Toronto	Sept. 15, 2016
Blyden-Taylor, Dwight *Brainerd*	Toronto	Sept. 14, 2017
Bodrogi, Leslie Tibor	Toronto	Sept. 11, 2008
Bothwell, Ray *James*	Peterborough	Sept. 16, 1999
Boucher, Jerome John	Niagara	Sept. 16, 2004
Bowick, James *William*	Kingston	Sept. 14, 2017
Boyd, David Jasper	Barrie	Sept. 11, 2014
Boynton, Edward Bruce	Barrie	Sept. 09, 1982
Bracken, Lyman *Clair*	Sudbury	Sept. 17, 2015
Braslins, Armin	Ottawa	Sept. 14, 2006
Breitsprecher, Peter Heinz	Thunder Bay	Sept. 12, 2002
Brenneman, Earl Jacob	Woodstock	Sept. 17, 2009
Bridges, James Baird	London	Sept. 14, 2006
Brimer, Jr. William Norman	Hamilton	Sept. 16, 2010
Brinston, Kenneth Gerard	Ottawa	Sept. 14, 2006
Britton, Harvey *Neil*	Kingston	Sept. 08, 1994
Brodhurst, Ian Daniel	Toronto	Sept. 16, 1999
Brodsky, Morton Irving	Windsor	Sept. 17, 2015
Brooks, Clark Stuart	Hamilton	Sept. 11, 1997
Brooks, Robert James	Hamilton	Sept. 16, 1999
Brown, Lorne Thomas	Guelph	Sept. 12, 1991
Brown, Terence John	Hamilton	Sept. 12, 2002
Burns, William David	Ottawa	Sept. 16, 2004
Burrell, Earl Godfrey	Toronto	Sept. 13, 2012

Name	Valley	Date Received
Burrill, Beverley Carlyle	Woodstock	Sept. 17, 2015
Bye, Robert Stanley	Chatham	Sept. 13, 2001
Byrne, Darren Joshua	Peterborough	Sept. 14, 2017
Cakebread, James Richard	Hamilton	Sept. 17, 1998
Cameron, David James	London	Sept. 13, 2012
Cameron, David Richard Norman	London	Sept. 17, 2009
Campbell, Donald	Hamilton	Sept. 13, 2007
Campbell, Donald Alexander	Toronto	Sept. 12, 2013
Campbell, Robert Bruce (*Soupy*)	North Bay	Sept. 15, 2016
Campbell, Ronald Kenneth	Ottawa	Sept. 15, 2005
Campbell, Vernon Gordon	Sudbury	Sept. 17, 2009
Carlisle, James Kernaghan	Woodstock	Sept. 15, 2005
Carlson, Rene Paul	North Bay	Sept. 15, 2005
Case, Brian Douglas	Chatham	Sept. 13, 2012
Cassie, James Thomas	Toronto	Sept. 13, 2001
Cayen, Gary Richard	Sudbury	Sept. 15, 2011
Chamney, William Robert	Windsor	Sept. 13, 2012
Charles, Raymond	London	Sept. 15, 2016
Chartier, Bryan *Patrick*	Windsor	Sept. 13, 2007
Chase, Kenneth Wayne	Thunder Bay	Sept. 17, 1998
Chisholm, William George	Toronto	Sept. 16, 2010
Christensen, Eric Ole	Guelph	Sept. 08, 1988
Christie, Jeffrey Alan	Ottawa	Sept. 15, 2011
Clancy, Raymond Albert	Peterborough	Sept. 12, 1996
Clark, Douglas Glen	Chatham	Sept. 08, 1994
Clark, John *Colin*	North Bay	Sept. 15, 2005
Clarke, Harold	Toronto	Sept. 16, 2010
Clauson, George Robert	Ottawa	Sept. 14, 1989
Clunie, Ian Lambie	Toronto	Sept. 11, 1997
Coates, Donald Glenwood	Barrie	Sept. 14, 2017
Cobanov, Milan	Toronto	Sept. 15, 2016
Codack, Edward John	Toronto	Sept. 14, 2017
Coggins, Howard William	Barrie	Sept. 16, 2010
Collins, Brentnall *Gordon*	Toronto	Sept. 14, 2017
Collins, Robert Edwin	Toronto	Sept. 13, 2007
Connor, Paul William Walter	Barrie	Sept. 16, 2010
Conway, Douglas Alfred	Barrie	Sept. 15, 2005
Cook, Guy Willard	Niagara	Sept. 14, 2006
Corbett, Charles Patrick	London	Sept. 11, 1986
Cornthwaite, John Thomas	Sudbury	Sept. 15, 2005
Cosens, Donald Leroy	London	Sept. 09, 1977
Coulter, Murray Leroy	Woodstock	Sept. 09, 1993
Cousins, Charles *Lawrie*	London	Sept. 17, 2009
Coyle, Leon *Michael*	Barrie	Sept. 12, 2013
Crawford, Douglas Alexander	Barrie	Sept. 12, 2013
Crinklaw, John Jay	London	Sept. 14, 2000
Crocker, Lewis Charles	Toronto	Sept. 14, 2000
Crow, Charles Wyatt	London	Sept. 14, 1989
Crowder, Ray Harold	Windsor	Sept. 14, 2000

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Crutcher, Gordon Collings	Toronto	Sept. 14, 2006
Cumming, John Alexander	Guelph	Sept. 15, 2016
Curl, Gordon Franklin	Guelph	Sept. 13, 2001
Cuthbertson, Dale Alexander	Sarnia	Sept. 12, 2002
Dale, Ian Brickenden	London	Sept. 13, 2007
Dasti, David Allen	Thunder Bay	Sept. 17, 2015
Davidson, Donald *Alan*	London	Sept. 14, 2006
Davidson, Gary William	London	Sept. 11, 2003
Davidson, Jeffrey Edward	London	Sept. 14, 2017
Davidson, John	Kingston	Sept. 14, 1995
Davies, Richard *Cerwyn*	Toronto	Sept. 16, 2004
Davies, Thomas Richard	Toronto	Sept. 10, 1992
Dawe, David Douglas	Sault Ste. Marie	Sept. 15, 2016
Day, Robert Avery	London	Sept. 16, 2010
Dayman, Brian Donald	Guelph	Sept. 14, 2017
Deline, Ronald Gradon	Toronto	Sept. 17, 1998
Denison, William Ralph	Hamilton	Sept. 14, 2017
Dennis, Michael Glen	Sarnia	Sept. 15, 2016
Dixon, John *Ross*	Sudbury	Sept. 10, 1981
Dobson, David *Bruce*	Barrie	Sept. 13, 1990
Dobson, John Kaberry	Windsor	Sept. 16, 2004
Domjan, Louis Michael	Hamilton	Sept. 12, 2013
Douglas, Thomas Kennedy	Toronto	Sept. 12, 2013
Dow, Murray Austin	Toronto	Sept. 14, 2000
Dowling, David *Garry*	London	Sept. 16, 2010
Downes, Bowers *Andrew*	Toronto	Sept. 08, 1994
Downey, Douglas John	Hamilton	Sept. 13, 2001
Draker, Fredrick Douglas	Hamilton	Sept. 14, 2000
Drew, Robert Arthur	Ottawa	Sept. 11, 1986
Dunn, Wayne Edward	London	Sept. 11, 2014
Durant, Mark Spencer	Peterborough	Sept. 15, 2005
Dvorak, Allan Charles	Toronto	Sept. 12, 2013
Edwards, Bruce Gordon	Toronto	Sept. 14, 2006
Edwards, Timothy Alan	Toronto	Sept. 17, 2015
Elcombe, Edward Williamson	Toronto	Sept. 11, 1997
Elgie, Wayne Earl	Hamilton	Sept. 12, 1991
Emerick, Philip Walter	Chatham	Sept. 13, 1990
Ennest, William Stephen *Scott*	Niagara	Sept. 17, 2009
Ewen, Peter Donald	Hamilton	Sept. 11, 1997
Eyre, Michael Sean	Peterborough	Sept. 17, 1998
Fairbairn, George Brent	Toronto	Sept. 13, 2012
Falkingham, John *Douglas*	Windsor	Sept. 11, 2003
Farrell, Paul Gilbert	Toronto	Sept. 11, 2008
Fenton, Paul Douglas	Hamilton	Sept. 16, 2004
Ferrie, David	Barrie	Sept. 13, 2012
Fick, Donald Ray	London	Sept. 13, 1990
Fickling, David Arthur	London	Sept. 13, 2001
Fiddes, Thomas Henry	Hamilton	Sept. 16, 2004
Findlater, Ronald Leroy Mitchell	Woodstock	Sept. 15, 2011

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Fisher, Peter Mason	Sarnia	Sept. 14, 2017
Fisher, Thomas Keith	Sarnia	Sept. 14, 2006
Flemming, Lloyd Roy	Barrie	Sept. 13, 2007
Foote, Robert *Harold*	Barrie	Sept. 15, 1983
Ford, James Edwin	London	Sept. 16, 2004
Fordham, Frank Richard	Hamilton	Sept. 12, 1996
Forster, Robert Brooks	Sault Ste. Marie	Sept. 16, 2004
Frank, William Charles	London	Sept. 07, 1978
Fraser, Angus Robertson	London	Sept. 11, 2003
Freedman, Richard Lee	North Bay	Sept. 16, 2010
Freeman, Walter John	Kingston	Sept. 14, 2006
Froud, Jeffrey Lawrence	North Bay	Sept. 14, 1995
Fudge, Kevin Scott	Peterborough	Sept. 15, 2011
Funnell, Norman Gordon	Toronto	Sept. 14, 2006
Furlong, John	Toronto	Sept. 15, 2011
Galt, Douglas Everett	Peterborough	Sept. 16, 2004
Gardner, Kenneth Lorne	Guelph	Sept. 14, 1995
German, Harvey Edwin	Chatham	Sept. 17, 2015
Gilchrist, Gary Lee	North Bay	Sept. 15, 2005
Gill, Charles Sydney	Niagara	Sept. 12, 2013
Gillman, Robert Lee	Thunder Bay	Sept. 14, 2006
Gilmore, Samuel	Toronto	Sept. 08, 1988
Ginn, Harold Scott	London	Sept. 15, 2005
Goodall, John Turner	Guelph	Sept. 14, 1989
Goodman, Clarence Henry (*Cam*)	Barrie	Sept. 16, 2004
Gordon, Robert George	Hamilton	Sept. 14, 2017
Govan, Victor	London	Sept. 13, 2007
Graham, John *Francis*	Sault Ste. Marie	Sept. 12, 1985
Grant, Andrew Gordon	North Bay	Sept. 11, 2003
Grant, Ray Wilson	Ottawa	Sept. 16, 2004
Gray, Andrew Philip	Peterborough	Sept. 15, 2005
Green, John Cameron	Guelph	Sept. 17, 2015
Greer, Rodney Eldon	Barrie	Sept. 11, 2008
Grieve, Gordon Thomas	Sarnia	Sept. 17, 2015
Groshaw, Ronald Eric	Toronto	Sept. 10, 1976
Groves, Franklin William	Peterborough	Sept. 17, 2015
Haines, Richard *Noel*	Niagara	Sept. 10, 1981
Hale, Herbert James	London	Sept. 12, 1996
Hall, Donald Rowse	Kingston	Sept. 14, 1979
Hall, James Sherwood	Toronto	Sept. 15, 2011
Hamilton, Donald John	Guelph	Sept. 17, 2009
Hamilton, James Arthur	North Bay	Sept. 12, 2002
Hamilton, Lachlan Finnick	Barrie	Sept. 11, 2008
Hanna, John Robert	Hamilton	Sept. 17, 1998
Hannah, Stephen George	Kingston	Sept. 16, 2004
Harbert, Peter George	Ottawa	Sept. 16, 2004
Harding, Jack Amey	Toronto	Sept. 15, 1983
Harding, James Lee	London	Sept. 11, 2008
Harper, James Mark	Niagara	Sept. 11, 2008

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Harris, Hugh *Robert*	Woodstock	Sept. 14, 1979
Harris, Ivan Merl	Ottawa	Sept. 15, 2016
Harris, Roger Allan	Windsor	Sept. 12, 2002
Harrison, Donald Ferdinand	Ottawa	Sept. 16, 1999
Hart, James Francis	Toronto	Sept. 15, 2011
Hatt, Clare Roger	London	Sept. 11, 1997
Hay, John Richard	Peterborough	Sept. 14, 2006
Hazlitt, Gregory Hill	Guelph	Sept. 08, 1994
Heath, George Charles	Toronto	Sept. 16, 1999
Hedges, Christopher Ross	Barrie	Sept. 13, 2012
Hedges, Frederick *Gordon*	Barrie	Sept. 15, 2011
Hedley, Jeffery Paul	Sarnia	Sept. 16, 2004
Henry, Gordon Ronald	Peterborough	Sept. 12, 1991
Hewson, Lawrence James	Hamilton	Sept. 16, 1999
Hicks, Larry Arthur	Woodstock	Sept. 16, 2004
Hilderley, Robert John	Woodstock	Sept. 15, 2011
Hillgren, Harold Einar	Hamilton	Sept. 16, 1999
Hogg, Alan Davis	Toronto	Sept. 08, 1994
Hooker, Philip Rice Alexander	Hamilton	Sept. 17, 2009
Hooper, Paul William	Windsor	Sept. 16, 1999
Hopcraft, Gordon Norman	North Bay	Sept. 11, 2003
Hopkins, Bernard Gordon	North Bay	Sept. 17, 2009
Horne, McAllister	Niagara	Sept. 15, 2016
Hornell, John Alfred	Chatham	Sept. 15, 2005
Hornibrook, Terrence Malcolm	North Bay	Sept. 17, 2009
Howie, Scott Douglas	Ottawa	Sept. 14, 2017
Hubbell, Harold Gordon*	Peterborough	Sept. 17, 2009
Hugill, Robert Carl	Woodstock	Sept. 11, 2008
Hull, Thomas Raynard	Peterborough	Sept. 15, 2011
Hunter, William *Dale*	Barrie	Sept. 12, 2013
Hutchinson, Frederick David	Niagara	Sept. 11, 2014
Hutchinson, James Hugh	Peterborough	Sept. 11, 1986
Hutt, Alexander *Rae*	Barrie	Sept. 12, 1991
Hynd, Wayne Charles	Barrie	Sept. 12, 1985
Imrie, John Houston	Barrie	Sept. 11, 2008
Inglis, Robert Martin	North Bay	Sept. 11, 2008
Irion, Siegfreid	Niagara	Sept. 16, 2010
Irvine, John *Brian*	Ottawa	Sept. 17, 1998
Irwin, John Orr	Barrie	Sept. 11, 2003
Jack, Lachlan Brooke	Barrie	Sept. 11, 1986
Jackson, Gregory Thomas	London	Sept. 14, 2000
Jackson, John Leonard	Windsor	Sept. 14, 2000
Jacobson, David Stanley	Toronto	Sept. 16, 2004
Jagges, Douglas William	Barrie	Sept. 15, 2005
James, Alfred William Fraser	Peterborough	Sept. 17, 2009
James, Paul Anthony	Hamilton	Sept. 15, 2005
James, Robert Charles	Toronto	Sept. 15, 2005
Jeffery, Larry William Howard	North Bay	Sept. 16, 1999
Jenkins, Kenneth A	London	Sept. 13, 2007

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Jensen, Norman *Eric*	Hamilton	Sept. 12, 2002
Jess, Marshall Stephen	Toronto	Sept. 13, 1990
Johnson, Brian Lorne	Barrie	Sept. 12, 2013
Johnson, Eric Norman	Thunder Bay	Sept. 15, 2016
Johnstone, Ivor John	Windsor	Sept. 12, 1991
Johnstone, Norman *Tyrrell*	Toronto	Sept. 13, 2007
Jones, David Leslie	Sault Ste Marie	Sept. 17, 2009
Jones, Donald Edward	Peterborough	Sept. 14, 1995
Jones, Earl Martin	London	Sept. 16, 2004
Jones, Glenson Trevelyn	Ottawa	Sept. 16, 1999
Jones, Harris Merton	Toronto	Sept. 12, 2002
Jones, Kevin Ronald Arthur	Ottawa	Sept. 13, 2012
Jones, Roderick Lee	Hamilton	Sept. 15, 2005
Judd, John Edward	London	Sept. 08, 1988
Julian, Donald *Brent*	Niagara	Sept. 13, 2007
Keay, Robert Alexander	Peterborough	Sept. 16, 2004
Keeler, Ross Charles	London	Sept. 13, 2001
Kerr, James Clayton	Peterborough	Sept. 10, 1992
Kerr, Robert Edward	Hamilton	Sept. 11, 2008
Kerr, Stanley *David**	Windsor	Sept. 15, 2005
Kiernan, Brian Thomas	Hamilton	Sept. 14, 2017
King, Andrew Baptie	Guelph	Sept. 16, 2004
Kingsley, Michael Joseph	Hamilton	Sept. 12, 2013
Kingsmill, Thomas *Frederick*	London	Sept. 14, 1965
Kingston, James David	Thunder Bay	Sept. 14, 2000
Kirk-White, James Fredrick Thomas	Barrie	Sept. 14, 2006
Knapp, George Kenneth	Toronto	Sept. 11, 2003
Knott, Roderick Dawson	Barrie	Sept. 17, 1998
Koivu, Brian Vilho	Sudbury	Sept. 15, 2011
Kostandoff, Louis James	Barrie	Sept. 12, 1991
Kreibich, Kenneth Louis	Sarnia	Sept. 17, 1998
Lacourse, Jacques	North Bay	Sept. 14, 2017
LaFleur, Ian Maxwell	Toronto	Sept. 14, 2017
LaFleur, Vernon Ivor	Toronto	Sept. 11, 2014
Laliberte, Donald *Kenneth*	Hamilton	Sept. 15, 2016
Lappan, Clifford Earl	Kingston	Sept. 15, 2005
Latimer, Ray Burton	Barrie	Sept. 14, 1989
Laughton, Donald *James*	Windsor	Sept. 14, 2000
Lawson, Bryan Wilmer	Barrie	Sept. 15, 2005
Lee, Dennis Harold	Toronto	Sept. 13, 2007
Lee, Murray William	London	Sept. 15, 2005
Leek, William *James*	Barrie	Sept. 17, 2009
Lees, Melville Francis	Sault Ste. Marie	Sept. 10, 1992
Lees, William Thomas	Hamilton	Sept. 15, 1983
Levitt, Leslie	Hamilton	Sept. 10, 1992
Lewis, Joseph Winnett	Hamilton	Sept. 14, 2017
Lewis, Ralph William	Toronto	Sept. 12, 1996
Lidstone, John *William*	Barrie	Sept. 12, 1996
Linegar, Kevin John Peter	Barrie	Sept. 11, 2008

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Linnemoller, Mark	Barrie	Sept. 11, 2014
Lintaman, Darrell William	Niagara	Sept. 17, 2015
Lithgow, Douglas Allan	Barrie	Sept. 08, 1994
Liukko, Paavo Eric	Sudbury	Sept. 15, 2016
Lockwood, Leroy Bruce	Hamilton	Sept. 09, 1993
Loshaw, Giles Orville	Ottawa	Sept. 17, 2015
Love, Roland	Hamilton	Sept. 13, 1990
Lowery, John *Kenneth*	Toronto	Sept. 11, 2008
Lowry, Gordon *Wyatt*	Hamilton	Sept. 15, 2005
Lowry, Lyn Milton	Peterborough	Sept. 14, 2006
Lundberg, Neil Alfred	Thunder Bay	Sept. 17, 2015
Luxton, Wilbert Daniel	London	Sept. 10, 1987
MacCallum, John Arthur	Toronto	Sept. 10, 1976
MacKenzie, John Duncan	Toronto	Sept. 10, 1992
MacKewn, Charles *Frederick*, Jr.	London	Sept. 10, 1981
Mackey, David Richard	Ottawa	Sept. 16, 2010
MacLeod, David Cameron	London	Sept. 17, 2009
MacLeod, John Russell	London	Sept. 08, 1988
MacLeod, Wendall Everett	Toronto	Sept. 12, 1996
MacNevin, Randy Alexander	Windsor	Sept. 11, 2014
MacPherson, John Lando	Hamilton	Sept. 15, 2016
Magwood, Gary William	Hamilton	Sept. 17, 2015
Malek, Joe	Barrie	Sept. 11, 2014
Maley, Peter George William	Hamilton	Sept. 15, 2005
Mallabar, Richard Cameron	Niagara	Sept. 13, 2012
Mandeville, Roland Patrick	Toronto	Sept. 13, 2012
Mannisto, John Pentti	Hamilton	Sept. 16, 1999
Marshall, Thomas Richard	Hamilton	Sept. 17, 2015
Martin, David Graeme	Niagara	Sept. 14, 1995
Martin, Ross Lyle	Barrie	Sept. 15, 2005
Martin, Stephen Wayne	Barrie	Sept. 15, 2011
Mathie, Norman	Toronto	Sept. 17, 2009
Matijek, Peter John	North Bay	Sept. 12, 1996
Mavor, Charles Whyte	Ottawa	Sept. 10, 1976
Mawdsley, Jack Stanley	London	Sept. 15, 2005
Maynard, Terry Albert	Chatham	Sept. 16, 2010
McAuley, William *Wayne*	Barrie	Sept. 13, 2001
McBrine, Richard George	Barrie	Sept. 17, 1998
McCarthy, Stephen Justin	Peterborough	Sept. 12, 2013
McCausland, Arnold	Toronto	Sept. 17, 2009
McConnell, Jonathan David	Peterborough	Sept. 14, 2006
McDonald, Arthur *James*	Windsor	Sept. 14, 2017
McGill, Noel Ian Murray	Ottawa	Sept. 08, 1994
McGuire, Donald Ross	Chatham	Sept. 15, 2016
McIlveen, George *Murray*	Ottawa	Sept. 11, 1986
McIlvenna, John	Toronto	Sept. 15, 2011
McIntyre, Alfred *Scott*	Hamilton	Sept. 15, 2011
McIntyre, John *Ross*	London	Sept. 13, 2001
McIntyre, Stephen Robert	Barrie	Sept. 13, 2012

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McKaig, John Albert	London	Sept. 14, 2006
McKay, Edward Clark	Hamilton	Sept. 11, 2014
McKay, Gordon Alexander	North Bay	Sept. 11, 2008
McKee, Charles *Robert*	Barrie	Sept. 14, 2006
McKenna, Michael Joseph	Toronto	Sept. 11, 2003
McKillip, John William	Barrie	Sept. 17, 2015
McLelland, Andrew Lind	Toronto	Sept. 17, 2009
McLeod, Douglas	North Bay	Sept. 16, 2004
McMillan, Ronald William	Peterborough	Sept. 15, 2005
McNair, Ronald Julian	Hamilton	Sept. 15, 2005
Meadows, Raymond Russel	North Bay	Sept. 17, 2015
Militello, John	Toronto	Sept. 15, 2011
Miller, Ralph Harold	Kingston	Sept. 12, 2013
Miller, William Bruce	Guelph	Sept. 15, 2011
Miller, William James	Sarnia	Sept. 13, 2007
Minor, Marvin Douglas	Toronto	Sept. 15, 2005
Mitchell, George Arthur	Niagara	Sept. 17, 2009
Moffat, Blain Ronald	Peterborough	Sept. 16, 2004
Molata, Richard Lewis	Hamilton	Sept. 12, 2013
Monteith, Kenneth Ernest	London	Sept. 12, 2002
Moore, Donald Ross	Kingston	Sept. 17, 1998
Moore, Frederick Thomas	Barrie	Sept. 08, 1994
Morgan, Gary Stewart	Barrie	Sept. 16, 2010
Morris, George Alexander	London	Sept. 10, 1987
Morrow, Alred Latona	Guelph	Sept. 13, 2007
Mortlock, Thomas Albert	Peterborough	Sept. 13, 2001
Morton, George William	Thunder Bay	Sept. 16, 2004
Moulton, Benjamin Clarence	North Bay	Sept. 13, 2012
Muha, Ronald Joseph	Niagara	Sept. 14, 2017
Mullen, Benson Frederick	Sudbury	Sept. 14, 2017
Mullen, Paul James	London	Sept. 12, 2002
Mumby, Donald Herbert	Ottawa	Sept. 12, 2002
Murphy, Allison Richard	Hamilton	Sept. 16, 2004
Murray, Gordon Philip	Barrie	Sept. 13, 2007
Murtagh, Kevin Patrick	Toronto	Sept. 17, 1998
Mustard, Harold Francis William*	Niagara	Sept. 11, 1997
Mylks, Herbert *Gordon*	Kingston	Sept. 16, 2010
Napper, George Alan	Guelph	Sept. 12, 2002
Nelson, Gary *Wayne*	North Bay	Sept. 14, 1989
Nesbitt, James Russell	Peterborough	Sept. 10, 1987
Newton, Harold Edward	Kingston	Sept. 17, 2015
Nichols, Arthur *Douglas*	Toronto	Sept. 12, 1991
Nichols, David William	London	Sept. 16, 2010
Nichols, Lawson Blair	Ottawa	Sept. 10, 1987
Nickerson, Kris David	Hamilton	Sept. 11, 2014
Noble, Dennis Marshall	Hamilton	Sept. 14, 2000
O'Brien, Robert William	Toronto	Sept. 14, 1995
O'Leary, Dennis Michael	Windsor	Sept. 15, 2005
O'Sullivan, Wayne Douglas	Chatham	Sept. 17, 2015

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Oakes, Lloyd Horning	Hamilton	Sept. 07, 1978
Ochitwa, Peter	Ottawa	Sept. 14, 1989
Olender, Carl Anthony	Windsor	Sept. 16, 2004
Oliver, Herbert Franklin	Barrie	Sept. 08, 1994
Oliver, Thomas *Clayton*	Woodstock	Sept. 15, 2011
Olley, Gregory Edward	Toronto	Sept. 15, 2016
Olm, Keith *Dale*	Ottawa	Sept. 15, 2011
Ough, Robert Allan	Peterborough	Sept. 14, 2017
Overholt, Hubert George	Windsor	Sept. 12, 1985
Pachal, Terence Dennis Fredric	North Bay	Sept. 12, 1996
Page, Warren Edward	Hamilton	Sept. 15, 2011
Pagonis, Anatasios (*Tom*)	Toronto	Sept. 13, 2007
Palin, Russell William	Peterborough	Sept. 13, 2012
Panke, Burton Reinhold	Ottawa	Sept. 13, 1990
Papavramidis, Dimitrios	Toronto	Sept. 16, 2004
Parker, Robert Edwin	London	Sept. 15, 2011
Parliament, Roger Garnott	Hamilton	Sept. 10, 1987
Paterson, John McKenzie	Windsor	Sept. 10, 1987
Payette, John Ronald	Niagara	Sept. 11, 1997
Pearce, Bruce Ernest	Sault Ste. Marie	Sept. 16, 2010
Pearcy, Douglas James	Peterborough	Sept. 11, 2003
Pedler, David Harold	Hamilton	Sept. 15, 2016
Pedwell, Timothy Russell	Niagara	Sept. 12, 2002
Pellow, William Russel	London	Sept. 08, 1988
Percy, Joseph Arthur	Kingston	Sept. 17, 2009
Perham, John Harold	Niagara	Sept. 12, 2013
Peters, Stephen John	London	Sept. 15, 2011
Petrisor, Allan John	Woodstock	Sept. 14, 2000
Plummer, Larry David	Sarnia	Sept. 13, 2001
Plyley, John Milton	Niagara	Sept. 10, 1992
Pogue, Mark Fisher	Ottawa	Sept. 14, 2017
Polkinghorne, Peter John	Chatham	Sept. 11, 2003
Poon, Stanley Akit	Toronto	Sept. 15, 2005
Pos, Jacob	Guelph	Sept. 13, 1984
Potter, Gary George	London	Sept. 17, 2009
Pratt, Donald Leigh Buchanan	Woodstock	Sept. 14, 1989
Preet, William Charles	Toronto	Sept. 16, 2010
Pridham, Norman Stanley Thompson	Toronto	Sept. 15, 2005
Pudas, James Albert	Thunder Bay	Sept. 15, 2005
Quinn, Keith Edwin	Barrie	Sept. 12, 1996
Quinn, Wayne Allan	Sudbury	Sept. 16, 1999
Rance, Harry *Raymond*	Barrie	Sept. 14, 1995
Rapley, Frederick John	Toronto	Sept. 14, 1989
Ratuszny, John Eugene	Toronto	Sept. 13, 2012
Reidl, Charles Frank	Guelph	Sept. 11, 1997
Revell, John Charles	Windsor	Sept. 14, 2017
Reynolds, Norris Jonathan	Chatham	Sept. 14, 2017
Richardson, Frank	Barrie	Sept. 15, 2016
Richardson, William Thomas	Peterborough	Sept. 11, 2014

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Robertson, Lewis Bertred	Barrie	Sept. 09, 1993
Rogers, Murray Alan (*Butch*)	Hamilton	Sept. 14, 1989
Rose, Hugh Donald	Peterborough	Sept. 11, 2003
Ross, Robert Charles	Hamilton	Sept. 16, 2004
Rousell, Don Herbert	Sudbury	Sept. 17, 2015
Rowe, James *Scott*	Barrie	Sept. 14, 2017
Rumbles, Brian Timothy	Peterborough	Sept. 12, 1996
Runciman, Robert Thomas	Sudbury	Sept. 10, 1992
Runions, James Allan	Guelph	Sept. 16, 1999
Salmon, Lanny Ross	Hamilton	Sept. 11, 2014
Saunders, Ronald Douglas	London	Sept. 08, 1988
Schell, Leslie Ellwan	Peterborough	Sept. 14, 2000
Schmeler, David Francis	Barrie	Sept. 15, 2005
Schweitzer, Brian Kenneth	Hamilton	Sept. 12, 2002
Scott, David Gibson	Toronto	Sept. 17, 1998
Scott, Graham Alexander	Toronto	Sept. 17, 2015
Scott, Johnston Arthur Hamm	Hamilton	Sept. 14, 2006
Scott, Robert McNaught	Toronto	Sept. 17, 2009
Segui, Thomas *Bilardino*	London	Sept. 11, 2008
Shand, Terence	Toronto	Sept. 16, 1999
Shannon, Brian Carle	Barrie	Sept. 14, 2006
Shaver, Gary Lawson	Ottawa	Sept. 14, 2000
Shaver, Jack Edward	Hamilton	Sept. 14, 2006
Shaw, Eric Llewellyn	Peterborough	Sept. 14, 2006
Shea, Melvin Lee	Barrie	Sept. 15, 2005
Sheard, Robert Wesley	Guelph	Sept. 11, 1997
Siegfried, Brian Ross	Thunder Bay	Sept. 14, 2017
Siemiernik, Thomas Andrew	Woodstock	Sept. 17, 2015
Silk, David Murray	Barrie	Sept. 12, 1996
Simpson, Donald *Alan*	Guelph	Sept. 12, 2002
Sinden, James George	Woodstock	Sept. 13, 2007
Singleton, Steven Arthur	Toronto	Sept. 14, 2006
Sircar, Rajender Kumar	Toronto	Sept. 13, 2012
Slack, Maynard John	Kingston	Sept. 13, 1984
Slee, Richard Charles	Toronto	Sept. 15, 2005
Sleightholm, Lorne *Terry*	Toronto	Sept. 12, 2013
Slessor, John Ambrose	Barrie	Sept. 16, 2004
Smith, Allan Lavern	Thunder Bay	Sept. 17, 2015
Smith, David Lenard	Toronto	Sept. 16, 2004
Smith, Donald Beverly	Sarnia	Sept. 08, 1988
Smith, Donald Glen	London	Sept. 13, 2007
Smith, Donald Goodwin	Peterborough	Sept. 08, 1988
Smith, Frederick Charles	London	Sept. 11, 2014
Smith, John *Kevin*	Woodstock	Sept. 11, 2014
Smith, John Reginald	Thunder Bay	Sept. 12, 1991
Smith, Leo Joseph	Toronto	Sept. 11, 2014
Smith, Robert Ellard	Thunder Bay	Sept. 12, 2013
Snider, Barry Craig	Guelph	Sept. 13, 2007
Solomon, Alexander Charles	Sault Ste. Marie	Sept. 17, 2015

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Soucisse, Garry David	North Bay	Sept. 13, 2007
South, William Edward	North Bay	Sept. 11, 2014
Spence, Reade Kendall	Chatham	Sept. 16, 2004
Spencer, Gordon Wallace	Barrie	Sept. 11, 2003
Stacey, Norman Gerald	Peterborough	Sept. 16, 2010
Stamboulian, Libarid	Windsor	Sept. 15, 2016
Stapleton, George Elwood	Hamilton	Sept. 16, 2004
Stathakis, Koulis (*Ken*)	Toronto	Sept. 13, 2012
Steed, Arnold Lyall	Niagara	Sept. 11, 2003
Steele, James Albert*	London	Sept. 10, 1981
Stein, Harry	Toronto	Sept. 12, 2002
Stephen, Arnold *Paul*	Barrie	Sept. 14, 2000
Stephenson, Clive David	Sudbury	Sept. 17, 2015
Stevens, David Mark	Toronto	Sept. 11, 2014
Stewart, Charles *Bruce*	Toronto	Sept. 12, 2002
Stewart, Errol Anthony	Toronto	Sept. 16, 2010
Stewart, James Kenneth	Hamilton	Sept. 15, 2005
Stewart, John *Gordon*	Toronto	Sept. 14, 2006
Stewart, Larry Hugh	Niagara	Sept. 11, 2008
Stewart, Ronald *Gary*	Guelph	Sept. 15, 2016
Stewart, Ronald *James*	Hamilton	Sept. 11, 2014
Stillar, Gerald Andrew	North Bay	Sept. 14, 2006
Stinson, Ronald Thomas	Hamilton	Sept. 15, 2005
Stoddart, Alan John	Toronto	Sept. 17, 2015
Strain, Stuart Gordon	London	Sept. 14, 2006
Stuart, Gordon Harold	Hamilton	Sept. 11, 1986
Sutherland, William *Ross*	London	Sept. 14, 1995
Tagallie, Ashton Anthony	Toronto	Sept. 13, 2007
Tapp, Lynford Earle	Chatham	Sept. 13, 2007
Tarcea, George Richard	Windsor	Sept. 17, 2009
Tate, Robert Clifford	Ottawa	Sept. 13, 2007
Taylor, Norman Ernest	Guelph	Sept. 15, 2005
Taylor, Robert Melville	Ottawa	Sept. 15, 2005
Taylor, Ronald John Garfield	Ottawa	Sept. 15, 2016
Thom, Daryl Arthur	Niagara	Sept. 15, 2005
Thompson, Donald *William*	Woodstock	Sept. 12, 2013
Thompson, Gerald Archibald	Ottawa	Sept. 14, 1995
Thompson, John Franklin	Barrie	Sept. 15, 2016
Todd, John Herbert	Barrie	Sept. 16, 2004
Todd, Paul Edward	Ottawa	Sept. 11, 2008
Toole, Christopher Earl	Barrie	Sept. 12, 2013
Tooley, Barry Byrne	Sudbury	Sept. 17, 2015
Toswell, Harold Duncan	North Bay	Sept. 15, 1983
Truscott, Robert William	Windsor	Sept. 17, 2015
Turek, George	Toronto	Sept. 15, 2011
Turner, Gerald Lawrence	Ottawa	Sept. 14, 2000
Utton, William Frederic	Toronto	Sept. 12, 2013
Vail, Bradley Louis	Barrie	Sept. 15, 2011
van Rees, Edward Gerrit Theodoor	Woodstock	Sept. 11, 1997

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Veitch, Kenneth Carman	Barrie	Sept. 12, 1991
Walker, David George	Barrie	Sept. 11, 2008
Walker, George Dexter	Barrie	Sept. 16, 2004
Wallace, John	Toronto	Sept. 11, 2003
Walsh, Earl John	Toronto	Sept. 11, 2008
Wark, James Orville	Guelph	Sept. 15, 2011
Warner, Donald James Edward	Windsor	Sept. 11, 2008
Warren, Earl *David*	Hamilton	Sept. 14, 1995
Warren, Steven Earl	Hamilton	Sept. 13, 2007
Waters, Calvin	Toronto	Sept. 10, 1992
Watson, Frederick Ralph (*Erick*)	Peterborough	Sept. 15, 2011
Watson, Robert Trevor	Peterborough	Sept. 15, 2005
Wayrynen, Leo Allen	Thunder Bay	Sept. 17, 2009
Webster, John Lawrence	Hamilton	Sept. 08, 1994
Webster, Robert Glen	Peterborough	Sept. 15, 2016
Webster, William Donald	London	Sept. 14, 2000
Weeks, William Joseph *Lawrence*	Sault Ste. Marie	Sept. 17, 1998
Weir, Jervis	North Bay	Sept. 12, 1975
Welbanks, Eric Francis	Kingston	Sept. 10, 1992
West, Douglas, Allan	Guelph	Sept. 15, 2005
West, Maynard Burton	Barrie	Sept. 13, 2007
West, Ralph Henry	Guelph	Sept. 04, 1995
White, Allan William	Peterborough	Sept. 08, 1994
White, William Morris	London	Sept. 14, 2006
Whitely, Larry George	Sault Ste. Marie	Sept. 16, 1999
Whiteside, Donald Walker	North Bay	Sept. 15, 1983
Whiting, Kenneth Lawrence	Toronto	Sept. 10, 1992
Whitmore, Bruce Neil	London	Sept. 15, 2011
Wilcock, Arthur Beverley	Toronto	Sept. 12, 1996
Wilson, Gerald Morris	Windsor	Sept. 13, 1974
Wilson, Harold *Raymond*	Hamilton	Sept. 13, 2007
Winder, Edward *Dixon**	London	Sept. 16, 2004
Winfield, Leigh Herbert	Peterborough	Sept. 08, 1994
Winter, Clark Wayne	Toronto	Sept. 12, 2013
Winterton, Donald Herbert Charles	Windsor	Sept. 10, 1992
Wood, Michael Graham	Barrie	Sept. 17, 2009
Woodhead, Harry *Evan*	Toronto	Sept. 13, 2007
Woods, Sidney John	Barrie	Sept. 16, 1999
Wright, Herbert *Ernest*	Toronto	Sept. 12, 2013
Young, Robert McDonald	Toronto	Sept. 16, 2004

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND (6)

Burleigh, James William	Summerside	Sept. 07, 1978
Burleigh, Paul James	Summerside	Sept. 11, 2008
Campbell, David Roy	Summerside	Sept. 10, 1992
Henderson, Phillip Henry	Summerside	Sept. 16, 2004
Newson, James *Wayne*	Summerside	Sept. 11, 2014
Roy, Robert Hugh	Summerside	Sept. 12, 2013

Name	Valley	Date Received
QUÉBEC (26)		
Almadini, Kaled	Montréal	Sept. 14, 2017
Arturi, Paul	Québec	Sept. 11, 2003
Atkins, David *Ralph*	Québec	Sept. 11, 1997
Bourdius, Robert John	Montréal	Sept. 16, 1999
Buckland, Rexford Arthur Joseph	Montréal	Sept. 11, 2003
De Sevigne, John Howard	Montréal	Sept. 11, 2014
Djigounain, Jean-Baptiste	Montréal	Sept. 15, 2011
Dobby, Lawrence Paul	Montréal	Sept. 16, 2004
Fidler, Earl Norton	Montréal	Sept. 14, 1995
Foisy, Pierre	Montréal	Sept. 11, 2008
Georges, Jean-Ronald	Montréal	Sept. 14, 2017
Guay, Joseph Claude *Richard*	Montréal	Sept. 17, 2015
Herridge, Brian Albert	Montréal	Sept. 12, 1991
Laframboise, Rejean	Montréal	Sept. 16, 2010
Lawrance, William	Montréal	Sept. 13, 2007
Lebeuf, Andre	Québec	Sept. 15, 2005
Leide, John Edgar	Montréal	Sept. 14, 2006
Logan, John Hugh Davidson	Montréal	Sept. 12, 1996
Lono, Armand John	Montréal	Sept. 12, 1996
MacNicoll, Ernest Albert	Montréal	Sept. 12, 2002
Oustwani, Fayez	Montréal	Sept. 15, 2016
Ross, Donald Carter	Montréal	Sept. 10, 1992
Sandhu, Opkar Singh	Montréal	Sept. 15, 2005
Sicard, Marc-André	Montréal	Sept. 13, 2012
Snickars, Peter John	Montréal	Sept. 17, 2009
Thibodeau, Joseph Aime *Gilles*	Québec	Sept. 16, 2004
SASKATCHEWAN (26)		
Bachynski, Colin Borden	Regina	Sept. 15, 2005
Bennett, Donald William	Regina	Sept. 16, 2004
Brunsdon, William *Richard* Ian	Saskatoon	Sept. 15, 2011
Bye, Raymond George	Regina	Sept. 16, 2004
Cameron, Allen Orville	Regina	Sept. 10, 1981
Cameron, Archibald Bethel	Saskatoon	Sept. 15, 2005
Davey, James *Gordon*	Saskatoon	Sept. 17, 2015
Goodman, Calvin Lloyd	Saskatoon	Sept. 14, 2017
Gutfriend, Richard Joseph	Regina	Sept. 11, 2008
Hanlan, Graham Ronald	Regina	Sept. 10, 1987
Hyland, Daryl Ricky	Saskatoon	Sept. 14, 2006
Jardine, Bruce Malcolm	Regina	Sept. 14, 2017
MacLachlan, John Stuart	Regina	Sept. 15, 2005
Martin, Foster Murray	Regina	Sept. 15, 2011
Matheson, Robert *Neil*	Saskatoon	Sept. 12, 1985
Meyers, David Florian	Saskatoon	Sept. 13, 2007
Morris, William Wesley	Saskatoon	Sept. 16, 2004
Munn, Morley Eldon	Regina	Sept. 16, 2004
Pizzey, Willmer Alfred	Saskatoon	Sept. 15, 2005
Rigden, Charles Andrew	Regina	Sept. 16, 2004

Name	Valley	Date Received
Robinson, Ronald Harry	Saskatoon	Sept. 16, 2004
Rondeau, Kirk Malcolm	Regina	Sept. 14, 2006
Sandiford, Erskine Frank	Regina	Sept. 17, 2009
Sherstobitoff, Jonathan *Lynn*	Saskatoon	Sept. 13, 2012
Sherstobitoff, Randall James*	Saskatoon	Sept. 11, 2014
Skuce, Dennis John	Saskatoon	Sept. 14, 2017

Members At Large By Virtue of Art. 13 (17)

Name	Valley	Date Received
Aberdeen, Robert Gordon John	Edmonton	Sept. 11, 1980
Boughton, Glenn Rayner	Regina	Sept. 15, 2011
Brower-Berkhoven, Isaac Brock	Fraser Valley	Sept. 11, 2008
Carey, Jack Ernest	Regina	Sept. 14, 2006
De Jong, Adolf Charles	Montréal	Sept. 13, 1984
Moorse, Brian Jeffrey	Toronto	Sept. 14, 2000
Mumford, Gene Gordon	Guelph	Sept. 16, 2004
Nissen, Peter Ragnar	Montréal	Sept. 13, 1990
Perry, Alan Martin	Calgary	Sept. 16, 1999
Prideaux, Francis Donald St. John	Woodstock	Sept. 15, 2005
Raine, Norman David	Fredericton	Sept. 13, 1990
Ramsay, Harold *Douglas*	Regina	Sept. 14, 1979
Rutherford, Frederick Ingram	Halifax	Sept. 08, 1994
Swing, Walter Frederick	Hamilton	Sept. 14, 1979
Thomas, Norman Randall	Edmonton	Sept. 16, 2004
Weaver, Lorne Bruce	Windsor	Sept. 15, 2005
Wilkinson, Tom David	Edmonton	Sept. 16, 1999

Members At Large By Virtue of Art. 14 (1)

Robbins, George Russell	Hamilton	Sept. 12, 2002

Honorary Members of Other Supreme Councils Since 1874

1874	†Dr. Robert Hamilton	Grand Chaplain	*England & Wales
	†Hon. Albert Pike	Sovereign Grand Commander	Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
	†Josiah H. Drummond	Sovereign Grand Commander	Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1877	†John F. Townshend	Sovereign Grand Commander	Ireland
1888	†The Earl of Lathom	Sovereign Grand Commander	*England & Wales
	†Col. Nathaniel G. Phillips	P. Sov. Grand Commander	*England & Wales
	†The Earl of Rosslyn	Sovereign Grand Commander	Scotland
	†Jacinto de Castro	Sovereign Grand Commander	St. Domingo
	†Henry L. Palmer	Sovereign Grand Commander	Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
	†George Otis Tyler	Active Member	Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1892	†D. Burnam Tracy	Active Member	Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1893	†Brenton Daniel Babcock	Active Member	Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1895	†Frederick Webber	Secretary-General	Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1897	†Clinton Paige	Secretary-General	Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1906	†Hon. James D. Richardson	Sovereign Grand Commander	Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
	†James Hodge Codding	Secretary-General	Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
	†James Isaac Buchanan	Active Member	Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1907	†The Compte G.D'Alviella	Sovereign Grand Commander	Belgium
1909	†Jean Marie Raymond	Sovereign Grand Commander	France
	†William Homan	Active Member	Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
	†Gen. Samuel C.Lawrence	Sovereign Grand Commander	Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1913	†Field Marshall H.R.H. Arthur W.P.A. Duke of Connaught & Strathern K.G.	Grand Patron	*England & Wales
	†Barton Smith	Sovereign Grand Commander	Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1915	†George Fleming Moore	Sovereign Grand Commander	Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1922	†Raoul V. Palermi	Sovereign Grand Commander	Italy
	†Leon Martin Abbott	Sovereign Grand Commander	Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1924	†Ernest Bertrand Hussey	Grand Rep.S. C. of Canada	Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1927	†John H. Cowles	Sovereign Grand Commander	Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1929	†The Right Hon. The Earl of Donoughmore K.P.	Sovereign Grand Commander	*England & Wales

1932	†Frederic B.Stevens	P.Grand Lt. Commander	Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1933	†Melvin Maynard Johnson	Sovereign Grand Commander	Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1937	†Charles C. Nisbet	Sovereign Grand Commander	Scotland
	†Hon. Justice Gerald FitzGibbon	Sovereign Grand Commander	Ireland
1941	†The Right Hon. The Earl of Stair, K.T., D.S.O.	Sovereign Grand Commander	Scotland
1943	†J. Gilbart Smyly	Sovereign Grand Commander	Ireland
1949	†Col. Sir Henry McMahon, G.C.M.G.	Sovereign Grand Commander	*England & Wales
	†George E. Bushnell	Past Grand Lt Commander	Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1950	†Sir Trevor J. Matthews	Sovereign Grand Commander	*England & Wales
	†The Right Hon. The Earl of Elgin & Kincardine	Past Grand Lt Commander	Scotland
1952	†Raymond F. Brooke	Sovereign Grand Commander	Ireland
	†Frederic H. Stevens	Sovereign Grand Commander	Philippines
1953	†Thomas J. Harkins	Sovereign Grand Commander	Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
	†Charles P. Summerall	Grand Minister of State	Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
	†René J. Raymond	Sovereign Grand Commander	France
1954	†N. Garcia Bapista	Sovereign Grand Commander	Venezuela
1955	†The Right Hon. The Lord Saltoun	Grand Chancellor	Scotland
1955	†Fabian Onsari	Sovereign Grand Commander	Argentina
	†Thomas C. Law	Active Member	Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
	†Arthur L. F. Cook	Sovereign Grand Commander	*England & Wales
1956	†Major Robert L. Loyd, M.C., O.B.E.	Sovereign Grand Commander	*England & Wales
	†Luther A. Smith	Sovereign Grand Commander	Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1964	†The Right Hon. The Lord Macdonald	Sovereign Grand Commander	Scotland
	†Col. Sir Basil A. T. McFarland	Sovereign Grand Commander	Ireland
	†W. B. I. Hofman	Sovereign Grand Commander	The Netherlands
1964	†Conrado Benitez	Sovereign Grand Commander	Philippines
	†Raul Cordero Amador	Sovereign Grand Commander	Mexico
1967	†George A. Newbury	Sovereign Grand Commander	Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1969	†Sir Eric Studd, Bt., O.B.E.	Sovereign Grand Commander	*England & Wales
1970	†Henry C. Clausen	Sovereign Grand Commander	Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1971	†The Right Hon. The Earl of Galloway	Sovereign Grand Commander	Scotland

1976	†Major-General Sir Ralph Hone	Sovereign Grand Commander	*England & Wales
	†Stanley F. Maxwell	Sovereign Grand Commander	Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1980	†Alberto Mansur	Sovereign Grand Commander	Brazil
1982	Henri L. Baranger	Sovereign Grand Commander	France
1986	†C. Fred Kleinknecht	Sovereign Grand Commander	Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
	†Francis G. Paul	Sovereign Grand Commander	Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1982	†Harold D. Still	Sovereign Grand Commander	*England & Wales
	†Lauri Sarkia	Sovereign Grand Commander	Finland
	†C. J. P. van Boven	Sovereign Grand Commander	The Netherlands
	†Jean-Pierre Grenier	Sovereign Grand Commander	Switzerland
	†Sidney R. Baxter	Asst. to the SGC	Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
1993	†Andrew Watt	Sovereign Grand Commander	Australia
	†Agustin Arriaga Rivera	Sovereign Grand Commander	Mexico
1994	Robert O. Ralston	Sovereign Grand Commander	Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
	†David Kruger	Grand Secretary-General	Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
2000	†J. Philip Berquist	Past Deputy for Massachusetts	Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
2004	†Walter E. Webber	Sovereign Grand Commander	Northern Jurisdiction, USA
2005	Ronald A. Seale	Sovereign Grand Commander	Southern Jurisdiction, USA
	Jack D. Rehberg	Grand Almoner, Active Member	Southern Jurisdiction, USA
2006	Jack Ball	Sovereign Grand Commander	Australia
2007	John Wm. McNaughton	Sovereign Grand Commander	Northern Jurisdiction, USA
2011	Luiz Fernando Rodrigues Torres	Sovereign Grand Commander	Brazil
	George Turek	Honorary Inspector-General	Czech Republic
2012	Jean Luc Fauque	Sovereign Grand Commander	France
2017	Eberhard Desch	Sovereign Grand Commander	Germany

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† Robert Marshall
† John Walter Murton
† Hugh Alexander MacKay
† John Valentine Ellis
† David Ransom Munro
† James Domville
† James Kirkpatrick Kerr
† Hugh William Chisholm
† William James Bury MacLeod Moore
† William Reid
† William Henry Hutton
† Eugene Mortimer Copeland
† Isaac Henry Stearns
† Benjamin Lester Peters
† Robert Thomas Clinch
† Hugh Murray
† William Benjamin Simpson
† Charles Napier Bell
† Daniel Spry
† Francis Partridge
† George Thomas Smithers
† David McLelland
† John Morison Gibson
† Herbert Swinford
† Frederick Joseph Menet
† Edward Lusher Foster
† Angus William Hooper
† James Frederick Walker
† William Henry Thorne
† John James Mason
† Albert Daniel Nelson
† Enoch Bruce Butterworth
† William Henry Ballard
† Benjamin Tooke
† John De Wolfe Chipman
† Charles Wells Hager
† Benjamin Allen
† Elias Talbot Malone
† Daniel Fraser MacWatt
† Alexander Stephen
† John McKechnie
† Roderick MacNeill
† William Brown McArthur
† William Gibson
† William George Eakins
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† Richard Coulton Berkinshaw
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† Ernest Burdette Thompson
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† James McLean Marshall
† Robert Barclay Pow
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† William Alfred Jones
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† Robert Moore Stanton
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† William Fairley
† Douglas Myles Wilson
† Joseph Newcombe Fenton
† Robert Taplin Comrie
† Norman Edward Byrne
† Glenn Marvin Martin
† James Campbell Bassey
† Ross Alexander Wilson
Robert Alfred Barnett
John Earl Esworthy Winch
† Daniel Fraser Howes
Orlan John Weber
† Phillip Hendry Raymond
Robert Lawrence Waddell
† Edward George Kerr
† Richard Elliot Barr
† Charles Robert Townshend
† Norman George Clarke
Robert George Wands
† Donald Norman Campbell
John Dennis Chadbourne
Alexander William Watson
Donald Roy Thornton
† Clark Murray Gilmour
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2000		Samuel Gilmore, 33°	Toronto
	†	Leslie R. Peterson, 33°	Fraser Valley
2001		James G. Thompson, 32°	London
2002	†	Lee S. Donahue, 33°	Montréal
2003	†	Robert C. MacFarlane, 32°	Sarnia
2004	†	E. Peter Lougheed, 14°	Calgary
	†	Stephan Ramsankar, 32°	Edmonton
		T. Frederick Kingsmill, 33°	London
2005	†	George J. Bradshaw, 33°	Toronto
	†	Maurice Y. Snook, 33°	Windsor
2006		James A. Dewolfe, 32°	Moncton
	†	George M. Calder, 33°	Hamilton
2007	†	Gerald M. Greenslade, 33°	St. John's
	†	Wm. Calvert Fisher, 33°	Toronto
2008		Herbert J. Belcourt	
2009		Douglas R. Banks, 33°	London
		Richard M. Stokes, 32°	Niagara
2010	†	Clifford M. Tootell, 33°	Hamilton
		Earl L. Banks, 33°	Halifax
2011		Thomas V. Hannan, 33°	Regina
		Douglas William Jagges, 33°	Barrie
2012	†	John H. Roy, 33°	Peterborough
	†	Ivan R. Mater, 32°	Sarnia
2013		Kenneth C. Veitch, 33°	Barrie
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2014		Terrance E. Akerman, 33°	Nanaimo
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2015		Brian C. Shannon, 33°	Barrie
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2016		Morley E. Robinson, 32°	Halifax
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2017		Thomas R. Clark, 32°	Central Alberta
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Province	City	Name	2015	Discp	Admitted	Affiliated	Restored	Died	Left	Susp'd	2016	Chg
AB	Calgary	Calgary	207	-5	7	0	0	8	6	10	185	-22
L of Perf	Lacombe	Central Alberta	48	0	2	0	0	2	2	0	46	-2
	Edmonton	Edmonton	415	0	11	1	1	12	22	10	384	-31
	Lethbridge	Lethbridge	49	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	48	-1
	Medicine Hat	Medicine Hat	25	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	26	1
	5	**Total**	**744**	**-5**	**22**	**2**	**1**	**23**	**31**	**21**	**689**	**-55**
BC	Campbell River	Strathcona	66	0	2	0	0	1	2	0	65	-1
L of Perf	Castlegar/Nelson	Kootenay-Boundary	43	0	0	0	0	3	3	2	35	-8
	Langley	Fraser Valley	121	0	6	1	0	4	6	4	114	-7
	Kamloops	Thompson Valley	69	-1	2	0	0	3	7	0	60	-9
	Nanaimo	Colville	113	0	1	2	0	5	3	3	105	-8
	Prince George	Cariboo	62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	62	0
	Prince Rupert	Skeena Valley	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	0
	Vancouver	Vancouver	200	0	12	0	1	4	7	9	193	-7
	Vernon	Okanagan	131	0	12	2	0	1	6	5	133	2
	Victoria	Victoria	218	0	12	3	2	2	4	16	213	-5
	10	**Total**	**1,044**	**-1**	**47**	**8**	**3**	**23**	**38**	**39**	**1,001**	**-43**
MB	Brandon	Brandon	44	0	0	0	0	2	6	0	36	-8
L of Perf	Winnipeg	Winnipeg	227	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	227	0
	2	**Total**	**271**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**2**	**6**	**0**	**263**	**-8**
NB	Fredericton	Maxwell	108	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	106	-2
L of Perf	Moncton	Moncton	193	0	3	0	0	3	7	5	181	-12
	Saint John	Saint John	125	0	0	0	0	4	2	8	111	-14
	3	**Total**	**426**	**0**	**4**	**0**	**0**	**10**	**9**	**13**	**398**	**-28**
NL	St. John's	Centennial	88	0	11	0	4	4	4	2	93	5
L of Perf	**1**	**Total**	**88**	**0**	**11**	**0**	**4**	**4**	**4**	**2**	**93**	**5**
NS	Halifax	Victoria	297	0	15	0	2	14	14	7	279	-18
L of Perf	Sydney	Cape Breton	143	0	0	0	0	7	2	6	128	-15
	2	**Total**	**440**	**0**	**15**	**0**	**2**	**21**	**16**	**13**	**407**	**-33**
ON	Barrie	Barrie	1,361	1	18	4	0	50	4	3	1,327	-34
L of Perf	Chatham	Chatham	157	0	2	0	0	8	2	2	147	-10
	Guelph	Royal City	416	35	0	0	0	14	0	15	422	6
	Hamilton	Murton	1,405	0	20	2	2	42	9	4	1,374	-31
	Kingston	Kingston	196	0	6	1	0	8	5	2	188	-8
	London	London	1,103	0	9	0	0	46	0	0	1,066	-37
	Niagara Falls	Elgin	413	0	9	0	0	11	0	0	411	-2
	North Bay	North Bay	562	0	6	3	0	28	3	0	540	-22
	Ottawa	Ottawa	368	0	11	0	0	15	13	20	331	-37
	Peterborough	Peterborough	687	0	20	0	0	31	0	16	660	-27
	Sarnia	Sarnia	204	0	8	0	0	8	0	0	204	0
	Sault Ste Marie	Sault Ste Marie	133	0	3	1	0	6	1	2	128	-5
	Sudbury	Sudbury & District	270	0	6	0	0	4	0	2	270	0
	Thunder Bay	Superior	200	0	4	0	0	4	13	2	185	-15
	Toronto	Toronto Grand	1,959	0	29	2	0	54	7	6	1,923	-36
	Windsor	Windsor	387	0	0	0	1	36	2	25	325	-62
	Woodstock	Woodstock	325	-6	9	0	0	11	5	1	311	-14
	17	**Total**	**10,146**	**30**	**160**	**13**	**3**	**376**	**64**	**100**	**9,812**	**-334**
PE	Summerside	Albert Edward	67	-1	1	0	0	1	4	2	60	-7
L of Perf	**1**	**Total**	**67**	**-1**	**1**	**0**	**0**	**1**	**4**	**2**	**60**	**-7**
QC	Montréal	Hochelaga	277	0	19	1	4	6	10	17	268	-9
L of Perf	Montréal	Fleur de Lys	128	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	124	-4
	Québec	Québec	55	0	1	0	0	1	2	2	51	-4
	3	**Total**	**460**	**0**	**20**	**1**	**4**	**7**	**15**	**20**	**443**	**-17**
SK	Regina	Regina	295	-1	2	0	1	14	8	1	274	-21
L of Perf	Saskatoon	Saskatoon	142	0	4	0	0	3	2	7	134	-8
	2	**Total**	**437**	**-1**	**6**	**0**	**1**	**17**	**10**	**8**	**408**	**-29**
	46	**Grand Total**	**14,123**	**22**	**286**	**24**	**18**	**484**	**197**	**218**	**13,574**	**-549**

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Chapter of Rose Croix

Province	City	Name	2015	Discp	Admitted	Affiliated	Restored	Died	Left	Susp'd	2016	Chg
AB	Calgary	Delta	188	-4	7	0	0	8	6	10	167	-21
Chap RC	Edmonton	Mizpah	434	0	12	1	1	12	22	10	404	-30
	Lethbridge	Chinook	68	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	67	-1
	3	**Total**	**690**	**-4**	**20**	**2**	**1**	**21**	**29**	**21**	**638**	**-52**
BC	Castlegar/Nelson	Kokanee	34	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	28	-6
Chap RC	Langley	Fraser Valley	107	0	8	1	0	4	6	4	102	-5
	Kamloops	Thompson	65	-1	3	0	0	3	6	0	58	-7
	Prince George	New Caledonia	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	53	0
	Vancouver	Vancouver	186	0	6	0	1	4	7	8	174	-12
	Vernon	Moray	121	0	4	2	0	1	5	5	116	-5
	Victoria	Victoria	328	0	17	2	2	6	4	20	319	-9
	7	**Total**	**894**	**-1**	**38**	**5**	**3**	**21**	**31**	**37**	**850**	**-44**
MB	Brandon	Brandon	42	0	0	0	0	2	6	0	34	-8
Chap RC	Winnipeg	Bethesda	221	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	221	0
	2	**Total**	**263**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**2**	**6**	**0**	**255**	**-8**
NB	Fredericton	King Solomon	86	0	4	0	0	3	0	0	87	1
Chap RC	Moncton	Britton	124	0	2	0	0	3	7	3	113	-11
	Saint John	Harington Sovereign	115	0	2	0	0	6	2	6	103	-12
	3	**Total**	**325**	**0**	**8**	**0**	**0**	**12**	**9**	**9**	**303**	**-22**
NL	St. John's	Macgillivray	74	0	23	0	1	3	4	2	89	15
Chap RC	**1**	**Total**	**74**	**0**	**23**	**0**	**1**	**3**	**4**	**2**	**89**	**15**
NS	Halifax	Keith Sovereign	294	0	11	0	2	14	14	6	273	-21
Chap RC	Sydney	Isle Royale	121	0	0	0	0	6	2	3	110	-11
	2	**Total**	**415**	**0**	**11**	**0**	**2**	**20**	**16**	**9**	**383**	**-32**
ON	Barrie	Spry	1,267	-2	22	3	0	46	4	2	1,238	-29
Chap RC	Chatham	Kent	166	0	2	0	0	8	2	2	156	-10
	Guelph	Guelph	421	7	0	0	0	14	0	13	401	-20
	Hamilton	Hamilton Sovereign	1,120	0	18	0	1	40	5	1	1,093	-27
	Kingston	Rose of Sharon	167	0	5	1	0	6	3	2	162	-5
	London	London Sovereign	1,156	0	9	0	0	46	0	0	1,119	-37
	Niagara Falls	Niagara	364	-5	4	0	0	11	0	0	352	-12
	North Bay	North Bay	686	0	4	2	0	34	4	0	654	-32
	Ottawa	Murray	348	0	5	0	0	13	13	19	308	-40
	Peterborough	Peterborough	675	0	21	0	0	29	0	13	654	-21
	Sault Ste Marie	Sault Ste Marie	125	0	5	1	0	5	1	1	124	-1
	Thunder Bay	Nanna Bijou	182	0	4	0	1	4	13	2	168	-14
	Toronto	Toronto Sovereign	1,629	0	37	0	0	47	4	5	1,610	-19
	Windsor	Windsor	349	0	0	0	1	33	2	20	295	-54
	Woodstock	Centennial	266	-1	6	0	0	11	5	1	254	-12
	15	**Total**	**8,921**	**-1**	**142**	**7**	**3**	**347**	**56**	**81**	**8,588**	**-333**
PE	Summerside	St. Lawrence	62	0	1	0	0	1	4	2	56	-6
Chap RC	**1**	**Total**	**62**	**0**	**1**	**0**	**0**	**1**	**4**	**2**	**56**	**-6**
QC	Montréal	Hochelaga Sov.	230	0	0	1	4	6	9	12	208	-22
Chap RC	Montréal	Du Mont Real	74	0	20	0	0	0	2	1	91	17
	Québec	Québec	52	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	47	-5
	3	**Total**	**356**	**0**	**20**	**1**	**4**	**7**	**13**	**15**	**346**	**-10**
SK	Regina	Regina	272	-1	11	0	1	13	7	1	262	-10
Chap RC	Saskatoon	Saskatoon	136	0	4	0	0	3	2	7	128	-8
	2	**Total**	**408**	**-1**	**15**	**0**	**1**	**16**	**9**	**8**	**390**	**-18**
	39	**Grand Total**	**12,408**	**-7**	**278**	**15**	**15**	**450**	**177**	**184**	**11,898**	**-510**

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Consistory

Province	City	Name	2015	Discp	Admitted	Affiliated	Restored	Died	Left	Susp'd	2016	Chg
AB	Calgary	Southalta	245	-2	7	1	0	8	6	10	227	-18
Consistory	Edmonton	Alberta	424	0	11	0	1	15	22	10	389	-35
	2	**Total**	**669**	**-2**	**18**	**1**	**1**	**23**	**28**	**20**	**616**	**-53**
BC	Vancouver	British Columbia	393	0	8	0	4	9	19	18	359	-34
Consistory	Vernon	Morning Star	111	0	20	3	0	2	4	4	124	13
	Victoria	Vancouver Island	303	0	12	1	2	6	4	19	289	-14
	2	**Total**	**807**	**0**	**40**	**4**	**6**	**17**	**27**	**41**	**772**	**-35**
MB	Brandon	Brandon	42	0	0	0	0	2	5	0	35	-7
Consistory	Winnipeg	Manitoba Sovereign	216	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	216	0
	2	**Total**	**258**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**2**	**5**	**0**	**251**	**-7**
NB	Saint John	NB Sovereign	319	0	8	0	2	14	6	10	299	-20
Consistory	**1**	**Total**	**319**	**0**	**8**	**0**	**2**	**14**	**6**	**10**	**299**	**-20**
NL	St. John's	Nfld & Lab	69	0	0	0	0	3	4	1	61	-8
Consistory	**1**	**Total**	**69**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**3**	**4**	**1**	**61**	**-8**
NS/PE	Halifax	NS Sovereign	402	0	16	0	2	20	14	9	377	-25
Consistory	**1**	**Total**	**402**	**0**	**16**	**0**	**2**	**20**	**14**	**9**	**377**	**-25**
ON	Barrie	Barrie	1,484	1	25	1	0	46	5	1	1,459	-25
Consistory	Hamilton	Moore Sovereign	5,898	0	94	1	1	251	18	6	5,719	-179
	Ottawa	Ottawa	433	0	5	0	0	13	11	16	398	-35
	Thunder Bay	North Star	183	0	4	0	1	5	13	2	168	-15
	4	**Total**	**7,998**	**1**	**128**	**2**	**2**	**315**	**47**	**25**	**7,744**	**-254**
QC	Montréal	Montréal Sov.	258	0	0	2	4	6	10	13	235	-23
Consistory	Montréal	Phénix	52	0	28	0	0	0	2	1	77	25
	2	**Total**	**310**	**0**	**28**	**2**	**4**	**6**	**12**	**14**	**312**	**2**
SK	Regina	Saskatchewan	259	-1	8	0	1	13	7	1	246	-13
Consistory	Saskatoon	Saskatoon	130	0	5	0	0	3	2	7	123	-7
	2	**Total**	**389**	**-1**	**13**	**0**	**1**	**16**	**9**	**8**	**369**	**-20**
	17	**Grand Total**	**11,221**	**-2**	**251**	**9**	**18**	**416**	**152**	**128**	**10,801**	**-420**

Note: Calculations based on the most recent information provided by Valleys.

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Officers of Supreme Council 1874 to Present

	Sovereign Grand Commander	Lieutenant Grand Commander	Grand Chancellor	Grand Secretary-General	Grand Treasurer-General
1874	T. Douglas Harington	Robert Marshall	John V. Ellis	John W. Murton	Hugh A. MacKay
1875	"	"	"	"	"
1876	"	"	"	"	"
1877	"	"	"	"	"
1878	"	"	"	"	"
1879	"	"	"	"	"
1880	"	William H. Hutton	William B. Simpson	"	"
1881	"	"	"	"	"
1882	William H. Hutton	John V. Ellis	"	"	"
1883	"	"	Benjamin L. Peters	"	"
1884	"	"	"	"	"
1885	"	"	"	"	"
1886	John V. Ellis	John W. Murton	Daniel Sprey	Hugh Murray	"
1887	"	"	"	"	"
1888	"	"	"	"	"
1889	"	"	"	"	"
1890	"	"	"	"	"

	Sovereign Grand Commander	Lieutenant Grand Commander	Grand Chancellor	Grand Secretary-General	Grand Treasurer-General
1891	"	"	"	"	"
1892	John W. Murton	Isaac H. Sterns	"	"	"
1893	"	"	"	"	"
1894	"	"	"	"	"
1895	"	"	"	"	"
1896	"	"	"	"	"
1897	John W. Murton	Isaac H. Sterns	Hon. John M. Gibson	Hugh Murray	Hugh A. McKay
1898	Isaac H. Stearns	Hon. John M. Gibson	William H. Thorne	"	"
1899	"	"	"	"	"
1900	"	"	"	"	"
1901	"	"	"	"	"
1902	"	"	"	"	"
1903	"	"	"	"	"
1904	Hon. John M. Gibson	William H. Thorne	Hugh Murray	William H. Ballard	"
1905	“	“	“	“	“
1906	“	“	“	“	“
1907	“	“	“	“	“
1908	“	“	Benjamin Tooke	“	“
1909	“	“	“	“	“
1910	“	“	Benjamin Allen	“	“
1911	"	"	"	"	"
1912	“	“	“	“	“
1913	Benjamin Allen	Benjamin Tooke	Daniel F. MacWatt	"	Elias T. Malone
1914	"	"	"	"	"
1915	"	"	"	"	"
1916	"	John Alex Cameron	"	"	"
1917	"	"	"	"	"
1918	"	"	"	"	"
1919	John Alex Cameron	Daniel F. MacWatt	Alex McDougall	"	"
1920	"	Hugh A. MacKay	"	"	"
1921	"	"	"	"	"
1922	Sir John M. Gibson	Alfred F. Webster	"	"	"
1923	John Alex Cameron	"	"	"	"
1924	"	"	"	"	"
1925	Alfred F. Webster	Fred J. Howell	A. B. Wood	"	"
1926	“	“	Alec F. C. Ross	“	Hugh A. MacKay
1927	"	"	"	"	"
1928	“	“	“	“	“
1929	"	"	"	"	"
1930	"	"	"	"	"
1931	"	"	"	"	"
1932	"	"	"	"	"
1933	"	"	"	"	"
1934	William H. Wardrope	John A. Rowland	"	W. H. Davis	John A. Rowland
1935	"	"	"	"	"
1936	"	"	"	"	"
1937	"	"	"	"	"

	Sovereign Grand Commander	Lieutenant Grand Commander	Grand Chancellor	Grand Secretary-General	Grand Treasurer-General
1938	"	"	"	"	Charles S. Hamilton
1939	"	"	"	"	"
1940	John A. Rowland	Alec F. C. Ross	James H. Winfield	James A. Henderson	"
1941	"	"	"	"	"
1942	Douglas C. McIlwraith	George H. Ross	"	"	"
1943	James H. Winfield (Hnr)	"	William J. Major	"	"
1943	Douglas C. McIlwraith	George H. Ross	William J. Major	James A. Henderson	Charles S. Hamilton
1944	"	"	"	Stuart H. Lees	"
1945	"	George H. Ross	"	"	"
1946	"	"	O. E. Stanton	"	"
1947	"	"	"	"	"
1948	George H. Ross	Douglas Fraser	"	"	"
1949	"	"	Arthur Cross	"	"
1950	Douglas Fraser	Stuart H. Lees	"	Ernest B. Thompson	"
1951	"	"	"	"	"
1952	Stuart H. Lees (Hnr)	Thomas K. Wade	"	"	"
1952	Clarence. M. Pitts	"	"	"	"
1953	"	"	"	"	"
1954	"	"	"	"	"
1955	Thomas K. Wade	James A. Simpson	"	"	"
1956	"	"	"	"	"
1957	"	"	"	"	"
1958	James A. Simpson	R. Coulton Berkinshaw	"	"	"
1959	"	"	"	Charles H. Cunningham	"
1960	"	"	"	"	John l. Rumball
1961	R. Coulton Berkinshaw	Howard B. Moore	James Mc. L. Marshall	"	"
1962	"	"	"	"	"
1963	"	"	"	"	Thomas K. Wade
1964	George C. Derby	Charles H. Cunningham	"	Wilbert G. Welby	"
1965	"	"	"	"	Donald M. Fleming
1966	"	"	"	"	"
1967	Charles H. Cunningham	Donald M. Fleming	"	"	Howard B. Moore
1968	"	Donald L. Witter	Arthur L. Scace	"	"
1969	Donald L. Witter (Act)	"	"	"	"
1970	Howard B. Moore (Hnr)	"	"	"	"
1970	Donald L. Witter	Harvey R. Doane	"	"	"
1971	"	"	"	"	"
1972	"	"	J. Palmer Kent	"	"
1973	Harvey R. Doane	Walter C. MacDonald	J. Herbert Forbes	"	"
1974	"	"	"	"	"
1975	"	"	"	"	"
1976	Walter C. McDonald	Walter H. Mortlock	Gordon L. Bennett	Wilfred N. Paterson	Richard J. Lord
1977	"	"	"	"	"
1978	"	"	"	John V. Lawer	"
1979	Walter H. Mortlock	Lyle H. Bergstrom	"	"	"
1980	"	"	"	"	"
1981	"	"	"	"	"

	Sovereign Grand Commander	Lieutenant Grand Commander	Grand Chancellor	Grand Secretary-General	Grand Treasurer-General
1982	Lyle H. Bergstrom	Gordon L. Bennett	Kempton Keeble	John C. Allan	Howard A. Cox
1983	"	"	"	"	"
1984	"	"	Robert G. Luftus	"	"
1985	Gordon L. Bennett	John A. Bourne	"	John W. Lowry	"
1986	"	"	George C. Schaef	"	John C. Allan
1987	"	"	"	"	"
1988	John A. Bourne	John V. Lawer	George C. Schaef	John I. Carrick	John C. Allan
1989	"	"	"	"	"
1990	"	"	W. Robertson Carvath	"	"
1991	John V. Lawer	Harold E. Crosby	"	"	J. Newcombe Fenton
1992	"	"	"	"	"
1993	"	"	"	"	"
1994	Harold E. Crosby	Glenn M. Martin	"	"	"
1995	"	"	"	Robert G. Wands	"
1996	"	"	"	"	"
1997	Glenn M. Martin	Norman E. Byrne	Donald W. Dixon	"	H. Edward Standish
1998	"	"	"	"	"
1999	"	"	"	"	"
2000	Norman E. Byrne	Orlan J. Weber	"	Donald D. Thornton	"
2001	"	"	"	"	"
2002	"	"	Allard B. Loopstra	"	"
2003	Orlan J. Weber	C. Robert Townshend	"	H. Edward Standish	Thomas E. Lewis
2004	“	“	“	“	“
2005	“	“	“	“	“
2006	C. Robert Townshend	Matthew F. Todd	“	“	“
2007	“	“	“	Donald N. Campbell	“
2008	“	“	“	“	“
2009	Matthew F. Todd	Richard A. H. Brown	“	Terry A. McLean	“
2010	“	“	“	“	“
2011	“	“	“	“	“
2012	Richard A. H. Brown	Terry A. McLean	“	Brian W. Gilkinson	“
2013	”	“	“	“	“
2014	”	“	“	“	“
2015	Terry A. McLean	Robert S. Whitmore	"	"	"
2016	“	“	“	Robert Brethour	“
2017	“	“	“	“	“

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The Formal Opening and the Conferral of the Degree of Honorary Inspectors-General were held in the Cartier ABC Room in the Montréal Marriott Chateau Champlain Hotel.

Thursday, September 14, 2017

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Sovereign Grand Commander ..... Terry A. McLean
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Grand Standard Bearer ..... John W. Trousdale
Grand Captain of the Guard ..... W. Douglas Keam
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Director of the Degree ..... Steven E. Warren
Melancholy Ivy ..... Chesley R. Piercey
Crown of Oak Leaves ..... Jean Reed
Wreath of Laurel ..... John W. Trousdale
Charge following Circuits ..... William C. Fitzsimmons
The Bitter Cup ..... Stephen Godfrey
Ducal Coronet ..... James C. Sutherland
Address before Obligation ..... Gordon L. Greasley
Inquiry as to Religion ..... David G. Hooper
Q – What is your religion? ..... Alan D. Arbuckle, Allan J. L. Hadley, David A. Bennett
..... John E. Harrison, John G. Teleske, Thomas A. Wills
Obligation ..... Terry A. McLean
Banner of the Order ..... Miles R. Graham
Flag of the Country ..... James G. Finch
Investing with Coronet ..... Loren W. Kline
Presentation of Sword, etc. ..... Gareth R. Taylor
Words, Sign and Battery ..... William A. Atkinson
Proclamation ..... Jeffrey R. Dickson
Concluding Lecture ..... Allard B. Loopstra
Welcome and Acclaim ..... Terry A. McLean
Representative Candidate ..... Jean-Ronald Georges

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Slawson, Kenneth Earl (Jodi Craig); Valley of Nanaimo; Born 8/23/1955; Residence - 1774 Latimer Road, Nanaimo, BC, V9S 5R4; Partner, Penta Transport; WM, DDGM, TPGM

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General Comments on the 2017 Annual Session

The 143rd Annual Session of Supreme Council was held in Montréal, Québec from September 14-16, 2017 with 457 in attendance. Based on the comments of the registrants and the feedback from the membership survey following the Session, it was a most successful endeavour. General Chairman Francois Nasraoui and his entire team are to be congratulated on a job well done. In addition, the high level of co-operation exhibited by the management and staff of the Marriott Chateau Champlain was most appreciated and greatly assisted in the smooth operation of meetings and banquets.

All meetings were conducted efficiently and on time. The large number of HIGs present at the Executive Sessions was evidence of the interest in witnessing the decision making process of Supreme Council. This year in particular, there were some significant discussions and decisions made which will dramatically affect future annual sessions. Opening the Executive Sessions to our HIGs provides them with a sense of the 'how and why' the business of Supreme Council is conducted.

The Wednesday Get Acquainted evening remains a popular event which allows everyone the opportunity to renew friendships in a relaxed atmosphere. It was well attended and well organized.

The close proximity of the Church for the Vesper Service to the Hotel was an added bonus. St. George's Anglican Church proved to be a wonderful venue, and we thank them and the Reverend Canon Steven Mackison for their warm welcome and hospitality. Grand Prior, Michael D. H. Farr, delivered a most interesting sermon based on the story of the workers in a vineyard, and the provision God makes of food for a day. It served as a reminder to each of us to be mindful and thankful of the gifts God has provided us, and not to be envious or jealous of others.

The Vesper Service was immediately followed by the conferral of the 33rd Degree on 47 candidates. The representative candidate was Jean-Ronald Georges from the host Valley of Montréal. The degree was conferred in an exemplary manner and was well received by the candidates.

The SRCF Banquet featured a most entertaining presentation by Mr. Patrick McKenna – star of the television series the Red Green Show. The banquet and program were conducted in a timely manner, and Mr. McKenna's speech was extremely well received.

The Ladies Hospitality Suite and the Friday Ladies Program were well organized by Mrs. Eileen Ross and well received by the ladies in attendance. In particular, the performance of local entertainers Bowser and Blue was very popular.

Following the Roll Call of Active and Past Active Members at the General Session on Friday morning, the special guests were introduced and welcomed by the SGC. They included: the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Québec, M.W. Bro. Andre Boivin; a delegation from the Southern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States led by SGC Ronald A. Seale; a delegation from the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States led by SGC David A. Glattly; SGC Eberhard Desch from Germany; representatives of the concordant bodies of Royal Arch Masons, Grand Imperial Conclave, Royal Order of Scotland, Shriners of Québec, and DeMolay Canada; and the presiding officers of the Scottish Rite bodies of Montréal. In addition, SGC McLean presented SGC Seale with a donation on behalf of our Supreme Council to assist with relief efforts following the hurricanes in Texas and Florida. Certificates for Ill. Bro. John Teleske (from the Supreme Council of Turkey) and Ill. Bro. Terry McLean (from the Supreme Council of England and Wales) were presented, and the SGC presented SGC Desch with a Certificate of Honorary Life Membership in our Supreme Council. We then enjoyed a most interesting presentation by Ill. Bro. Arturo de Hoyos, Grand Archivist and Grand Historian of the Southern Masonic Jurisdiction, entitled 'Early Scots Masonry and the Scottish Rite'. This was followed by the Allocution of our SGC.

Following the closing of the General Session, a Candidate Orientation Seminar was held as well as a meeting between the Audit & Finance Committee and the Provincial Deputies. The remainder of Friday afternoon was free time to enjoy the sights of Montréal.

The Sovereign Grand Commander's Banquet featured the introduction of the Class of 2017 by our COO, Ill. Bro. Steven Warren. Speaking on behalf of the Class was Ill. Bro. Brainerd Blyden-Taylor from the Valley of Toronto. His remarks were most eloquent and warmly received. The 2018 General Chairman Ill. Bro. Garry Dowling made a presentation on behalf of the Valley of London – next year's hosts. Ill. Bro. James Finch proposed a Toast to the Host Valley, which was responded to by General Chairman Ill. Bro. Francois Nasraoui.

In Executive Session on Saturday morning, Ill. Bro. Allan Long from the Valley of Calgary was crowned as a Sovereign Grand Inspector-General and an Active Member of this Supreme Council. In General Session, Ill. Bro. Ken Veitch, John Ross Matheson Award Recipient, was invited to sit in the East; Part II of the Report from the Jurisprudence and Legislation Committee was presented by Ill. Bro. Brian Gilkinson; Ill. Bro. Thomas A. Wills was invested as Grand Master of Ceremonies; and Ill. Bro. Gareth Taylor presented the SRCF President's Report. Following the SGC's closing remarks, the travelling gavel was presented to Ill. Bro. Garry Dowling by Ill. Bro. Jean Reed. The Session concluded with the Chain of Union.

The Host Valley organized a very interesting Wrap-up Event on Saturday afternoon which included a tour of the Shriners Hospital and the Lodge Temple, and featured a delicious meal of the renowned Montréal Smoked Meat. This was a wonderful way to end a very successful Annual Session.